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Artist's rendition of future Rhode Island State Police Headquarters – bond referendum passed in 2002.

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The Honorable Donald Carcieri
Governor
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State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Governor Carcieri:

On behalf of the Rhode Island State Police, it is my great privilege to present our Division's 2002 Annual Report. The following pages will reflect the activity and services the Division has rendered to the citizens of our State during the 2002 calendar year. This report is submitted in compliance with Section 42-28-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956 as amended, and contains statistical data and examples of the accomplishments and service delivery that each of our barracks, bureaus, and units have provided during the year.

We are very pleased with the accomplishments of the Division over the past year and we look forward to another productive year in 2003.

The Division will continue its emphasis on training our personnel through a mandatory forty-hour in-service training each year, supplemented by increased specialized training for our Uniformed and Detective personnel.

The Division continues to emphasize its highway safety mission with increased efforts in detection and apprehension of impaired drivers, and in its education and enforcement of the seat belt and child restraint laws.

The Rhode Island State Police thanks you for your continued support. With your support and assistance, we look forward to continuing to improve the quality of life for all Rhode Islanders.

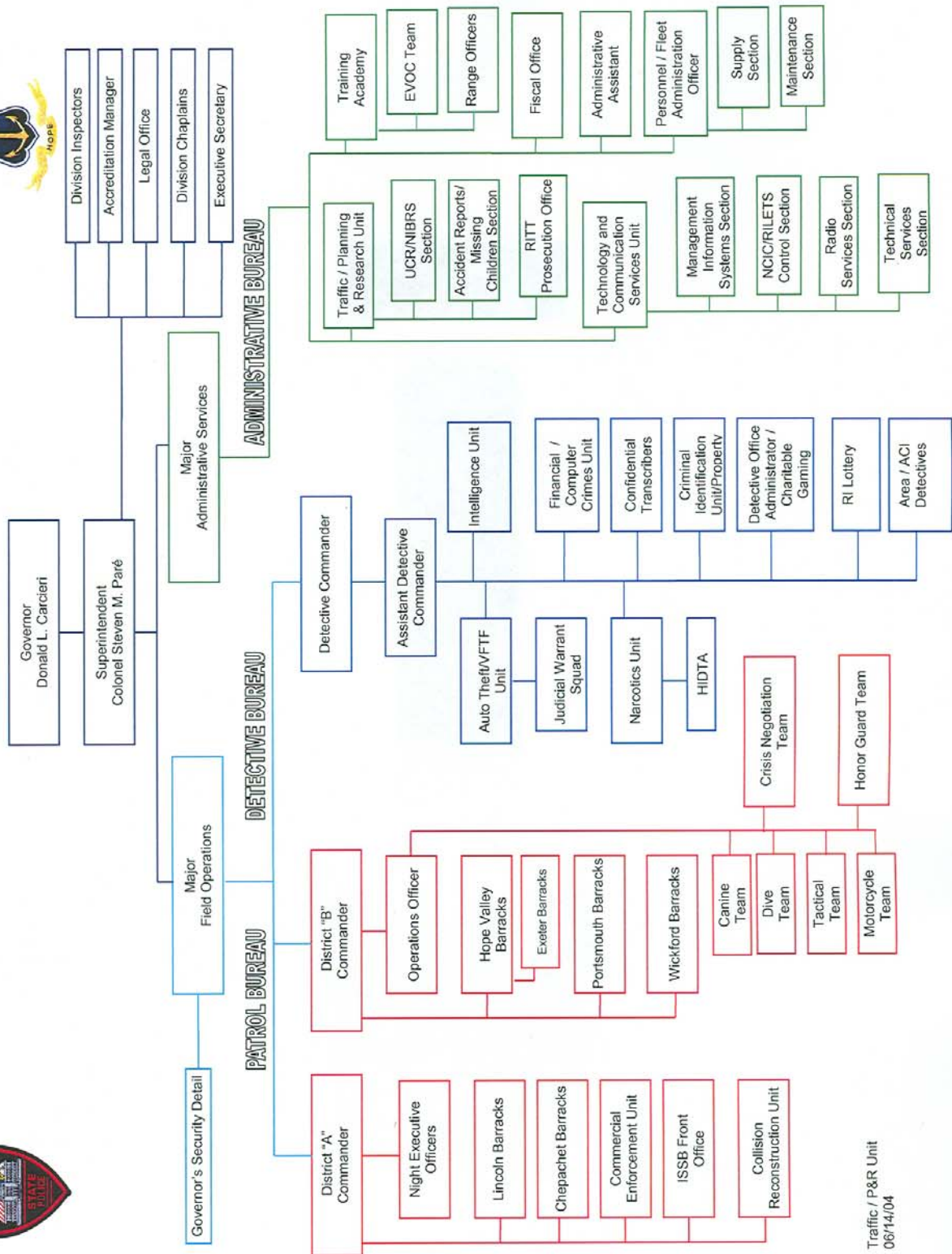
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steven M. Paré".

Steven M. Paré
Colonel
Superintendent



RHODE ISLAND STATE POLICE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Traffic / P&R Unit
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Rhode Island State Police



MISSION STATEMENT

The Rhode Island State Police is a full service, statewide law enforcement agency whose mission is to fulfill the law enforcement needs of the people with the highest degree of fairness, professionalism and integrity, and protect the inherent rights of the people to live their lives in freedom and safety. To this end, Division employees shall perform their respective patrol, investigative and support functions to the best of their ability and cooperate with other State agencies, as well as with local and Federal authorities.

DIVISION CREED

*"You are always to remember that you are
in the Rhode Island State Police and
In the Service of the State.
It is a call of honor. It requires unselfish
devotion to duty, the highest
type of honesty and downright courage."*

SUPERINTENDENT

COLONEL STEVEN M. PARÉ

Executive Secretary:
Mrs. Barbara Tuchon

Colonel Steven M. Paré was sworn in as Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police by Governor Lincoln Almond on October 20, 2001, following the retirement of Colonel Edmond S. Culhane, Jr., who served the Division as Superintendent for eleven years. Colonel Paré graduated from the Rhode Island State Police Training Academy in 1980 and rose through the ranks to his present position. Colonel Paré has served in all three bureaus and most units within these bureaus.

Colonel Paré holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and is currently pursuing a Masters Degree in Public Administration. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Leadership Rhode Island, and the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

As Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police, Colonel Paré serves as the commanding officer of the Division and is accountable for staffing the Patrol and Detective Bureaus to provide statewide law enforcement services. The mission for these two bureaus is to promote highway safety, maintenance of order, prevention and detection of crime, and the apprehension of violators. The Superintendent is also responsible for ensuring the control of traffic, maintaining safety enforcement on the State's highways, and the development and enforcement of all policies and regulations for the Division. The Superintendent must ensure structure, discipline, efficiency, and morale within the Division of State Police, along with establishing goals, direction, and priorities.

The Superintendent reports directly to the Governor and is charged with informing the Governor of all major, ongoing investigations, except where prohibited by law. Over the course of the past year, the Superintendent has served on the following boards, commissions and task forces: Chair for the Rhode Island Justice Commission Policy Board; the Rhode Island Justice Commission Criminal Justice Steering Committee; the Rhode Island Crime Lab Commission; the Rhode Island Medical Examiner's Commission; the Criminal Justice Oversight Committee; the International Association of Chiefs of Police-State and Provincial Division (Secretary-Treasurer and Chair of the Resolutions Committee); New England Police Chiefs Association, New England State Police Administrators Conference; New England State Police Information Network (member of Board of Directors); Rhode Island Police Chiefs Association (Co-Chair of Legislative Committee, Co-Chair of Awards Committee, member of Terrorism Committee), Sex Offender Management Committee, the Intelligent Transportation Society, the Commission to Study an Enhanced Role for Probation and Parole, Rhode Island Select Commission on Race and Police-Community Relations, Governor's Law Enforcement Training Commission, Media Sub-Committee of the Rhode Island Select Commission, Prevent Child Abuse Rhode Island, Kent County Hospital Board of Directors, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Executive Board, RISP Museum Committee, and the Rhode Island Association of Fire Chiefs (honorary member).

"Even before assuming command of the Rhode Island State Police, I have always been humbled by the respect the overwhelming majority of Rhode Islanders have for the Rhode Island State Police and the job our troopers do in preserving the quality of life we enjoy in this state. Our troopers are dedicated law enforcement professionals, who willingly take on and succeed at any challenge they are faced with."

In response to a growing concern for job-related illness and injuries by law enforcement officers and firefighters, the LawFit Program was developed. In September, the first LawFit Trooper Challenge was conducted in Virginia. Teams from ten State Police agencies participated in six separate events relating to a trooper's physical job performance. At the conclusion of the competition, the Rhode Island team was named National Champions with a score of 1,328 points.

Since the tragic events of September 11, 2001, members of the Rhode Island State Police have deployed throughout the state in support of homeland security. Together we have responded and fought back against the terrorists. Americans will never again take the sacrifices of the men and women in law enforcement for granted, nor will they take for granted the sacrifices of our brothers and sisters in the fire service.

In November, Rhode Island voters overwhelmingly supported Bond Referendum No. 1 for new Rhode Island State Police Headquarters. This new facility will enable the Division to centralize its command structure, improve efficiency by dispatching troopers to calls from one location, and manage law enforcement records in one place. It will also permit the Division to upgrade and incorporate changing technological and training demands. This aggressive capital improvement program also provides for repairs and rehabilitation for several existing facilities—most of which were built in the 1930's. The bond also supports the construction of a Rhode Island Municipal Fire Academy dedicated to training, fire protection, and prevention. This is the first capital investment in State Police facilities in more than sixty years.

A primary mission of the Division is traffic enforcement and increasing safety on our highways. During the past year, special teams have been deployed throughout the state during peak times, under the direct supervision of non-commissioned officers. These programs have been very effective in targeting speeders and aggressive drivers as well as removing drivers who are impaired by drugs or alcohol. A new program, "Click-It or Ticket," was introduced to encourage Rhode Islanders to buckle up. These programs have been very effective, and this effort will continue.

Division members have investigated sophisticated organized crime, white-collar crime, computer/electronic crime, violent crimes, and crimes against children. Troopers provide expertise in forensics, traffic accident reconstruction, search and rescue, and many other ancillary services.

The Rhode Island State Police continues to implement and utilize modern data technology. Laptop computer installations were completed in patrol vehicles in 2002. Additionally, 140 cruisers are now equipped with in-car video cameras. These cameras are crucial to document evidence in cases of alcohol/drug-impaired drivers, aggressive drivers, and to record citizen-trooper interaction.

The automated Records Management System is providing troopers the availability and transmission of real-time, law enforcement data. Troopers can now enter information once. The data is then routed to the various repositories without the need for re-addressing, re-filing, or manually handling the information.

In December, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) conducted its on-site assessment for reaccreditation. The assessment team reviewed files, interviewed sworn and civilian members, and inspected facilities and programs. In the summary and recommendations of the assessment, the team leader wrote, "The assessment team was very impressed with the professional standards and esprit de corps displayed by everyone associated with the Rhode Island State Police. The values of honor, honesty, courage, fairness, integrity, excellence, and devotion to duty are exemplified by all. Through the testimonials of citizens and employees who were interviewed by the assessment team, as well as individual assessor observations of programs

and services, it is clear that the citizens of Rhode Island hold their State Police in high esteem.” The assessment team found the Division to be in compliance with all applicable standards, and we anticipate re-accreditation by the Commission.

The Division continues its Community Policing Program in the Town of Exeter. Four troopers respond to routine calls for service and join citizens in a problem-solving capacity. Troopers have also been assigned to other state agencies during the year, including the Sheriff’s Department.

The Division’s Detective Bureau continues its mission of providing excellent investigative services and responds to ever-increasing requests for its expertise and thoroughness. During the past year, detectives have assisted local police departments in the investigation of homicides and other major cases. In addition, each detective carries a considerable caseload in his or her specialty area.

During the past year, the Rhode Island State Police continued its commitment to provide continual training to its members. The annual, three-phase in-service training program was attended by all sworn personnel, and troopers and detectives attended various specialized training sessions, both in state and out of state.

The Museum Foundation is continuing its work toward the goal of establishing a Rhode Island State Police Museum. The Museum is located on the Headquarters Complex and will be an educational center for all our citizens. The exterior of the building has been completed. Lynch Industries has been retained to complete the interior display areas, and work is progressing on this phase.

Members of the Division also participated in several charitable events during the past year including Special Olympics, the “Buy Nothing Winter Coat Exchange Program,” the State Employees Charitable Appeal, and Project Undercover.

The Division will continue the challenge of remaining at the forefront of tomorrow’s technology while continuing to provide the quality law enforcement services that our citizens have come to expect from their State Police.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

INSPECTOR MICHAEL P. IAROSCI

The Professional Standards Unit Inspector, Michael P. Iarossi, is a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division of State Police. Prior to his appointment to the Professional Standards Unit, his previous assignment was as Captain and Commander of the Detective Bureau. The Inspector is responsible for the investigation of all complaints and allegations made against sworn and civilian members of the Division of State Police. These investigations must be conducted in an unbiased, thorough, and comprehensive manner to ensure the integrity of the Division for its members and the public it serves. Each accusation is investigated towards resolution in an attempt to determine whether a complaint was founded, unfounded, or unsubstantiated. Appropriate disciplinary sanctions are imposed when a complaint is founded.

The Professional Standards Unit received and investigated a total of thirty-one (31) complaints between January and December of 2002. Twenty-one (21) cases were determined to be unfounded or unsubstantiated, ten (10) cases required disciplinary action, and there were no cases pending at the close of the calendar year.

Summary of Professional Standards Unit Investigations for Calendar Year 2002

Type	Number of Complaints	Unfounded - Unsubstantiated	Discipline/Founded	Pending
Unprofessional Behavior (Sworn)	15	12	3	0
Miscellaneous (Sworn)	1	0	1	0
Miscellaneous (Civilian)	0	0	0	0
Job Performance (Sworn)	15	9	6	0
Job Performance (Civilian)	0	0	0	0

Type	Proper Use	Discipline	Total
High Speed Pursuits	28	1	29
Discharge of Firearm	4	0	4
Use of Force/Physical	46	0	46
Use of Force/Capstun	1	0	1
Use of Force/Cas 21	2	0	2

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES UNIT

INSPECTOR WILLIAM B. TRINQUE

The Inspectional Services Unit Inspector, William B. Trinque, is a twenty-two (22) year veteran responsible for evaluating the administration and operation of the Division, as well as periodic inspections of facilities, vehicles, equipment, records, personnel and investigative procedures. The Inspectional Services Unit analyzes Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) standards that effect/encompass Division-wide operations and compares current organizational practices, policies and procedures to mandatory and non-mandatory CALEA standards. The Inspector identifies and recommends the means by which deficiencies may be overcome to satisfy the standards and enable the attainment and maintenance of the Division's accredited status.

In the Spring of 2000, the Inspectional Services Unit instituted a Quality Assurance Program. Surveys were mailed to persons who had contact with the Division in the areas of complaint investigation (both uniformed and detective), accident investigation, and enforcement of vehicle and traffic law. The same surveys were again mailed out in 2002. The intent of the program is not to solicit or generate complaints but to help the Division improve service to the citizens of the State of Rhode Island. The results of the surveys follow:

<i>Survey Results</i>				
<i>December 2002</i>	<i>Surveys Mailed</i>	<i>Surveys Returned</i>	<i>Percent Returned</i>	<i>Level of Satisfaction (%)</i>
<i>Complaints</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>29%</i>	<i>90%</i>
<i>Accidents</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>39%</i>	<i>93%</i>
<i>Citations</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>19%</i>	<i>92%</i>

The Division intends to continue the Quality Assurance Program as a way to improve the level of services offered to the citizens of the State of Rhode Island.

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

CAROL WOLFF FALLON, ESQ

Carol Wolff Fallon serves primarily as in-house counsel to the Superintendent. In addition, she provides preventative legal advice and notification of significant legal decisions and statutory amendments to the Division. The responsibilities of legal counsel also include the drafting and review of proposed legislation, negotiation of contracts with employee unions, representing the Division in grievance and arbitration proceedings and assisting the Attorney General's Office in the defense of civil litigation involving the Division.

The Office of Legal Counsel also represents or assists the Division at departmental disciplinary proceedings and Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights hearings.

The following are examples of legislation enacted in 2002 either supported or sponsored by the Division:

- ❖ Town of Exeter authorized to create a Juvenile Hearing Board by ordinance.*
- ❖ Search warrants for electronic communications services may be issued to corporations outside the State of Rhode Island that provide electronic communication services to the general public in connection with any communications sent to or received by customers or recipients located in Rhode Island.*
- ❖ Increasing the threshold damage amount for motor vehicle accident reports in which the damage to property of any one person including the driver is in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), for the driver to forward a written report of the accident to the division of motor vehicles on forms provided by the division.*
- ❖ Moving notification responsibilities in connection with parole and probation from State Police to Parole Board.*

ACCREDITATION UNIT

LIEUTENANT JAMES E. SWANBERG



Lieutenant James E. Swanberg, a sixteen-year veteran of the Division, currently serves as the Division's Accreditation Manager. This position was re-established in May of 1999 by the former Superintendent Colonel Edmond S. Culhane, Jr., to further streamline the voluminous amount of documentation necessary to sustain accreditation requirements.

In November of 1992, the Rhode Island State Police made a voluntary commitment to pursue national accreditation status under the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. The Commission, a non-profit and private corporation was created in 1979 through the combined efforts of four major law enforcement organizations: the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, the National Sheriffs' Association and the Police Executive Research Forum. The Commission's mission is to establish a set of professional standards which strengthen crime prevention programs, formalize essential management procedures, establish fair and nondiscriminatory practices, improve services, solidify interagency cooperation and coordination, and boost citizen and staff confidence in the law enforcement profession.

Since the Division initially attained accredited status in November of 1994, the Division has continually updated policies and procedures to conform to evolving law enforcement issues and accreditation standards. Furthermore, the Division has gathered numerous forms of documentation that demonstrate compliance with Division policies, procedures and accreditation standards. Currently, the Division complies with those applicable four hundred forty-three (443) standards established by the Commission. The Division successfully passed the onsite visit for re-accreditation process in December of 2002.

The majority of the work conducted this year was preparing standard files and preparing the Division for the onsite visit for re-accreditation in December of 2002. To help in this endeavor, Sergeant Robert Mackisey was temporarily assigned to the Accreditation Unit. The Division continued to participate in the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Coalition which was established to support both accredited agencies and agencies interested in the accreditation process within Rhode Island.

FIELD OPERATIONS

MAJOR JOHN J. LEYDEN, JR.

Major John J. Leyden, Jr., a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division, is the Major of Field Operations. He possesses a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice. The Major of Field Operations is the second highest-ranking officer in the Division.

The Field Operations Officer is directly responsible for the Patrol and Detective Bureaus. Additionally, the Field Operations Officer is responsible for specialized units within these branches such as Governor's Security Detail, Commercial Enforcement Unit, Canine, Dive, Tactical, and Motorcycle Teams. As such, the Field Operations Officer is intimately involved in the day-to-day operations of the Division of State Police.

The Field Operations Officer reports directly to the Superintendent and, along with the Superintendent, works to ensure the efficient operation of the Division of State Police. Along with the Superintendent, the Major of Field Operations helps to establish Division goals, direction, and priorities.

The Field Operations Officer is the conduit for requests from local, state, and federal agencies for the assistance of the Rhode Island State Police. Additionally, the Superintendent has designated the Major of Field Operations as the Public Information Officer for the State Police. He is responsible for disseminating information to the public through the media. Among the responsibilities of the Public Information Officer is the coordination of public speaking appearances and demonstrations by Division members throughout the State.

In addition, the Field Operations Officer is the Coordinator for the Rhode Island AMBER Alert Plan and is responsible for establishing the protocol for investigating abducted child cases. The Rhode Island AMBER Alert Plan is to provide a rapid response to the most serious child abduction cases. When an alert is activated, the Rhode Island State Police, through the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency, will immediately gain the assistance of local broadcasters to send an emergency alert to the public in the hopes for a quick and safe recovery of the abducted child.

DISTRICT COMMANDERS

CAPTAIN LEO D. MESSIER

CAPTAIN GARY S. TREML

The District Commander's office is staffed with two captains. Captain Leo D. Messier, a twenty-three (23) year veteran, is the District "B" Commander. He is responsible for overseeing the southern operations of the Hope Valley Barracks, Wickford Barracks, Portsmouth Barracks, and the Operations Officer which includes all of the Division's specialized units.

Captain Gary S. Trembl, a twenty-two (22) year veteran is the District "A" Commander. He is responsible for overseeing the northern operations of the Lincoln Woods Barracks, Chepachet Barracks, Commercial Enforcement Unit, Night Executive Officers, and Division matters relating to statewide Emergency Management.

The District Commanders have the overall responsibility of assuring all barracks are operating in a uniform manner to accomplish the goals and objectives of the Division. As secondary responders, the District Commanders respond to all major incidents being investigated by uniformed patrols. Also included in their responsibilities is the allocation of personnel around the state. Due to the dynamics and the varied daily responsibilities of the organization, assigning troopers around the state is a very labor-intensive part of this position.

The District Commanders and uniformed members were also responsible for keeping the traffic flowing safely into and out of the South County area during the summer months. The Division worked closely with the Department of Transportation to coordinate a plan of action to help reduce traffic congestion to and from the State's beaches. This combined effort was titled "Reach the Beach" and it was effective.

The District Commanders work with other Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies to coordinate the Division's efforts in the war against terrorism. All special security details and assignments are the responsibility of the District Commanders.

PORTSMOUTH BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT JOSEPH T. GALINDO

PATROL AREA:
*Barrington, Bristol,
Jamestown, Little Compton,
Middletown, Newport,
Portsmouth, Tiverton,
Warren*



The Portsmouth Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Joseph T. Galindo, a twenty-four year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police.

The Portsmouth Barracks is located at 838 East Main Road in the Town of Portsmouth. The barracks personnel complement is comprised of a Lieutenant, Sergeant, Corporal and eleven troopers. Barracks personnel patrol approximately 140 square miles in thirteen marked patrol vehicles and one unmarked patrol vehicle.

The Portsmouth barracks is also responsible for all calls for service on the Newport-Pell Bridge, Jamestown-Verazanno Bridge, Mount Hope Bridge and Sakonnet River Bridge. The Patrol also assists the Newport Naval Education and Training Center Police with arrests, complaints and accidents involving civilian personnel. The patrol also provides assistance to the Department of Environmental Management at Fort Wetherill, Fort Adams, and Colt State Park and on the waters of Narragansett Bay.

Interesting Investigations:

In February of 2002, while on late patrol on Route 138 in the Town of Portsmouth, Troopers observed a vehicle traveling north on Route 138 cross over the center line into the south bound lane. Troopers turned and initiated a clock of the suspect vehicle's speed. Troopers observed the vehicle move from the second lane of travel to the first lane of travel without the use of a directional. Troopers activated the overhead emergency lights and conducted a motor vehicle stop.

While speaking with the operator, the trooper observed him to appear nervous and distracted and unsure when responding to questions. The trooper requested the operator to exit the vehicle to more adequately interview him and, given the nature of the motor vehicle violations observed, ascertain whether he might be under the influence of liquor or drugs. Upon exiting the vehicle, the trooper observed a large Buck Knife on the driver's seat. The trooper then seized the knife and escorted the operator to the area between the cruiser and the suspect's vehicle. At this point, the trooper observed the blade of the knife to appear to be in excess of three inches. A pat down search of the right jacket pocket revealed what appeared to be two hard rectangular objects. When asked what these were, the suspect stated that they were ammunition magazines. Trooper observed the magazines to be loaded to capacity with 9 mm rounds. Trooper asked the suspect if there was a gun on his person or in the vehicle. The suspect stated that there was no gun. At this point, the other trooper requested the second occupant to exit the vehicle.

Upon checking the vehicle in the area around the driver's seat, the troopers observed a black pistol holster wedged between the seat and the center console. The trooper then checked below the passenger seat and observed a black handgun and a second Buck knife. The trooper approached the operator and advised him that he was being placed under arrest for possession of a knife and firearm. As the trooper attempted to place handcuffs on the suspect, he pulled his hand away and made a sudden move to get away. He was then subdued after a short struggle and placed in custody.

The operator of the vehicle was charged with Possession of a Handgun without a Permit, Possession of Firearm after Committing a Crime of Violence, Possession of a Knife with a Blade over three Inches and Resisting Arrest. This same subject had been out on bail after being arrested by a local police department less than one year earlier on firearm and narcotics charges. The passenger in the vehicle was released after determining that he had no criminal involvement.

Barracks Staff

Lieutenant Joseph T. Galindo
Sergeant Frank D. Sullivan III
Corporal James G. Pereira
Trooper Todd E. Catlow
Trooper Scott N. Raynes
Trooper Edward J. Stenovitch III
Trooper Derek W. Borek

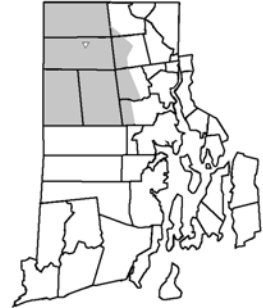
Trooper Christopher J. Zarrella
Trooper Edward J. Viera
Trooper Kenneth D. Jones
Trooper Phillip D. Martin
Trooper Charles G. LeValley
Trooper Kevin M. Grace
Trooper Matthew P. Maguire

CHEPACHET BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT PAMELA C. ICART

PATROL AREA:

*Burrillville, Coventry, Cranston,
Cumberland, Foster,
Glocester, Johnston, Lincoln,
Providence, Scituate,
Smithfield, Warwick*



The Chepachet Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Pamela C. Icart, an eighteen (18) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police.

The barracks personnel structure consists of one Lieutenant, two Sergeants, two Corporals, nineteen troopers and one civilian. The Chepachet Barracks is located at 1116 Putnam Pike in the Town of Glocester. Although the barracks is situated in a rural setting, the members of this barracks are responsible for providing police services to over 10 cities and towns.

The current patrol area known to the Chepachet Barracks today, which consists of over 307 square miles, was formally the patrol area of two barracks. The Scituate Barracks, which was closed in the mid 1980's, previously had patrol members assigned to over half the communities that are now patrolled by the Chepachet patrol. Due to economic and staffing constraints, both areas are now patrolled with less than half the number of troopers that formally cover this large patrol area.

Due to the diversity of the Chepachet Barracks patrol area, troopers assigned to this barracks have to be just as diversified in their law enforcement techniques. Urban, suburban, and rural communities all have different requirements and needs that have to be supplied by members of this patrol.

Patrol activities range from traffic patrol, bad check complaints, disturbance and domestic calls to more intensified investigations of armed robberies and murder. Patrols have continued their concentrated effort to remove aggressive and impaired motorists from our roadways.

The following case is an example of the type of investigations handled during the year by members of the Chepachet Barracks.

Interesting Investigation

On February 4, 2002 at 10:00 AM, a trooper was exiting the parking lot of the Freeway Car Wash in Olneyville Square in Providence and observed a black 2002 GMC Yukon bearing a Used Dealer registration plate that the trooper immediately recognized as having expired in 2001. The trooper followed the GMC onto Westminster Street and activated the overhead emergency lights. The vehicle took a quick turn onto Route 10 south at a high rate of speed. Trooper immediately gave chase and called the pursuit into State Police Headquarters.

The trooper followed the vehicle and at approximately 500 feet north of Union Avenue, it took a sudden left turn over the center median and traveled south in the northbound lane on Route 10. The trooper subsequently followed in the southbound lane. The vehicle traveled for approximately 350 feet and then took another sudden left turn off the roadway onto the east shoulder of Route 10 north. The vehicle traveled up the embankment in an attempt to access Union Avenue. The vehicle was unable to gain access to Union Avenue and subsequently turned around and reentered the roadway onto Route 10 north. As the vehicle entered the roadway from the right/east shoulder, it swerved several times in an attempt to regain control and struck another vehicle, which was traveling on Route 10 north. The suspect vehicle continued on Route 10 north for approximately 350 feet when it took a sudden right turn off the roadway onto the right/east shoulder. The vehicle climbed a steep embankment in an attempt to gain access to Route 6 eastbound via the Route 6/10 overpass. The suspect vehicle came to a stop adjacent to Route 6 east between a guardrail and a fence. Two males fled on foot in an easterly direction on Marvin Street toward Messer Street. The subject's description and direction of travel were passed on to State Police Headquarters and subsequently to the Providence Police Department.

The trooper, along with several other members of the State and Providence Police searched the Messer Street area. While on Wood Street, Troopers observed a subject fitting the description running on Wood Street. Troopers gave chase and subsequently caught the suspect on Chapin Street. Troopers attempted to take the subject into custody but he resisted and was taken to the ground. A struggle ensued since the suspect would not allow himself to be handcuffed. Troopers struggled for approximately 30 seconds and were finally able to place the suspect into handcuffs. The trooper immediately recognized the subject as the subject operating the suspect vehicle

The subject identified himself but was unable to correctly spell his last name. He also stated he did not know his social security number. A check with NCIC showed that the vehicle was stolen in Pinellas Park, Florida on 10-24-2001. It also revealed that the used dealer registration plate was stolen in North Attleboro, Massachusetts on 12-14-01. The subject was subsequently transported to State Police Headquarters in Scituate. On Wood Street, two other Troopers on scene seized a black jacket discarded in the roadway. Inside the coat was a wallet containing a Florida license with a photograph of the operator. The name different from the name he gave

Upon arriving, the subject was processed by a detective from the Criminal Identification Unit. His fingerprints were sent through the Afis system and it was revealed that the subject had numerous aliases.

The subject was issued a summons for Operating Left of Center, Proof of Insurance, Turn Signal Required, Misuse of Plates and Speeding. He was charged with Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle, Obstruction of Justice, Receiving Stolen Goods, Resisting Arrest, Eluding a Police Officer and Leaving the Scene of an Accident, Property Damage. He was arraigned and released on \$10,000 surety bail.

Barracks Personnel

SERGEANTS: *Thomas Underhill, Kenneth Marandola*

CORPORALS: *Eric C. LaRiviere, Clarence Snead*

TROOPERS: *Gregory Lagueux, Robert Carnevale, Mark A. Farnum, Michael J. Rosa, Marc Lidsky, John C. Shelhart, Shelly A. Berube, Genaro Ramirez, Timothy J. Dandaneau, Sean A. McCarthy, Alfred Ruggiero Jr, Kenneth Buonaiuto, Scott Carlsten, Matthew Salisbury, Jason Lawton, David Gormly, Dennis Spicuzza*

MAINTENANCE: *Thomas McCarthy*

LINCOLN BARRACKS ***LIEUTENANT JOSEPH R. MIECH***

PATROL AREA:

Central Falls, Cranston, Cumberland,
East Providence, Lincoln, North
Providence, North Smithfield,
Pawtucket, Providence, Smithfield,
Warwick, Woonsocket



The Lincoln Woods Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Joseph R. Miech, a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Lincoln Woods Barracks is located at 1575 Old Louisquissett Pike in the Town of Lincoln. The barracks is staffed by one Lieutenant, two Sergeants, three Corporals, twenty-nine Troopers and one civilian maintenance person. Several members of the Lincoln Barracks are also involved with the Tactical Team, Technical Accident Reconstruction Unit, the Dive Team, the Motorcycle Team and other support units.

The Lincoln Woods Barracks utilizes 35 marked uniform patrol vehicles and 2 low profile vehicles to patrol an area that encompasses approximately 206 square miles. This area of responsibility is fifty percent urban, twenty-five percent metropolitan and twenty-five percent rural, which includes Rhode Island's three major highways.

The Lincoln Barracks, being situated in the state's metropolitan area, is responsible for a variety of calls for service. Interstates 95 and 195 and Route 10 take up the majority of these calls. The barracks is also responsible for patrolling and providing police service to all State Institutions and facilities to include the State House, the Department of Administration and Health in Providence, the Registry of Motor Vehicles in Pawtucket, the Institute of Mental Health, General Hospital, and the

Adult Correctional and Juvenile Facilities in Cranston. The Lincoln Barracks also assists the twelve local police agencies on various investigations in their area.

Over the past year, Troopers at the Lincoln Barracks investigated 1,166 incidents and made 1,451 arrests. Of these arrests, 89 were for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicating Liquor and/or Drug violations. With responsibility of the Providence metropolitan area, traffic problems are a significant strain on resources. As such, the Lincoln Barracks investigated 3,932 motor vehicle accidents last year. Furthermore, the Lincoln Barracks' commitment to traffic safety is evident in the 8,380 traffic citations issued for 9,734 motor vehicle law violations. This was accomplished with an increased use of undercover, low-profile vehicles targeting the most hazardous moving violations.

As the largest and busiest barracks in the State, the men and women of the Lincoln Barracks continually demonstrate their abilities and talents under the constant and unrelenting demands on their time and resources. Lincoln Barracks personnel handled over 157 miscellaneous details over the past year along with supplementing the staffing at other barracks on 168 other occasions.

During the course of the past year, the Lincoln Barracks was renovated including the painting of the outside trim, the sanding and refinishing of the woodwork within the barracks and a complete repainting and the refinishing of the floor. These cosmetic changes resulted in a more professional and pleasant workplace.

A resource allocation analysis was completed during the year which demonstrated that the Lincoln Barracks troopers and non-commissioned officers handle more accidents, arrests and other incidents on a per capita basis than Troopers assigned to other barracks. As a result of this study, some responsibilities usually assigned to members of the Lincoln Barracks were diverted to other barracks relieving some of the workload.

As the Division was preparing for a re-accreditation process, the Lincoln Barracks underwent a thorough Division Staff Inspection. This inspection revealed no violations or deficiencies in the operation and personnel of the Lincoln Barracks.

Interesting Investigation

Troopers maintaining a radar post along Route 95 obtained a radar speed of 85 MPH on a vehicle in a posted 55 MPH zone. While attempting to stop the vehicle, the troopers witnessed one of the occupants throw an object out of the window. Once the vehicle was stopped, the occupants were removed and questioned as to what was thrown from the vehicle. One of the occupants stated that it was a marijuana cigarette that was thrown. A cursory search of the seating compartment was then conducted where this individual was sitting. The trooper subsequently found two clear plastic bags containing marijuana in the center console compartment. The vehicle was then locked and all three passengers were placed into custody.

Troopers then transported the three occupants to the area where the object was thrown from the vehicle. When the object was located, it turned out to be a brown paper bag filled with garbage from a local hamburger establishment.

Troopers then responded back to the suspect vehicle and began completing an inventory search prior to the vehicle being towed. During this search, Troopers discovered \$7,300 in cash under the front passenger seat. Furthermore, a black duffel bag was located while checking the rear area of the vehicle. A cursory search of the bag revealed 7 large plastic bags containing marijuana with a combined weight of 7.04 pounds of marijuana.

After questioning, two of the three individuals were arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana (1-5 Kilograms). The operator was also charged with Driving While in Possession of a Controlled Substance. The cash was seized and a request was made to the court to have the cash forfeited.

Barracks Staff

Sergeants: Mark Surtel, Darren Delaney

Corporals: Franklin Rohan, Kathleen Flynn, Richard Ryan

Troopers: Michael Gill, John Beauregard, William Jamieson, Robert Wall, John Keenan, Michael Reynolds, Jr., Sean O'Hern, Simon Liu, John Charbonneau, John Allen, Richard Ptaszek, Timothy Allen, Jr., Kenneth Moriarty, Matthew Moynihan, John Alfred, Robert Creamer, Kenneth DeMarco, John Grassel, Cynthia Trahan, David Bassignani, William Accardi, John Gadrow, John Conway, Kevin Kojoian, Michael Brock, Christine Greaney-Sawyer, Erik Yanyar, Anthony Commendatore, Peter Cambio

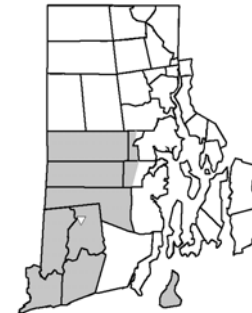
Maintenance: Mr. Frank Dolan

HOPE VALLEY BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT ELWOOD M. JOHNSON, JR.

PATROL AREA:

Charlestown, Coventry, Exeter,
Hopkinton, Richmond, Westerly,
West Greenwich



The Hope Valley Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Elwood M. Johnson, Jr., a sixteen (16) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The barracks is located at 54 Nooseneck Hill Road in the Town of Richmond. It is staffed by one lieutenant, two sergeants, three corporals, twenty-three troopers and one civilian maintenance person. A staff of two state police detectives also support the patrol. In 2002, six of the sworn personnel from Hope Valley Barracks simultaneously served on specialized units, which included SWAT, DIVE Team, Crisis Negotiation Team, and the K-9 Unit.

The Hope Valley Barracks utilizes twenty-eight (28) marked uniform patrol vehicles, one low profile vehicle and one 4X4 vehicle to patrol an area that encompasses approximately 250 square miles. Troopers from this barracks handle a wide variety of investigations and calls for service, as the patrol is situated in one of the State's most rural areas where some towns do not have full-time police departments. Troopers from this barracks are responsible for patrolling major roadways, such as Routes 95, 3, 102, 2 and 1, along with all secondary and rural side roads.

The Exeter Patrol falls under the direct supervision of the patrol commander from the Hope Valley Barracks. In addition, the Hope Valley Barracks is responsible for two sworn members serving the Town of New Shoreham (Block Island) during an annual summer assignment.

Troopers at the Hope Valley Barracks are committed to traffic safety and conducting thorough criminal investigations. The patrol investigated 639 motor vehicle accidents during 2002. Troopers also arrested 817 individuals for various criminal and motor vehicle offenses, including 87 subjects for driving while intoxicated.

Interesting Investigation

On Sunday morning, April 28, 2002, members of the Hope Valley Barracks responded to an armed robbery at the Welcome Center on Route 95 Northbound in Richmond. Investigation revealed that a young Hispanic male had robbed a man at gunpoint in the men's bathroom, stealing his wallet. The subject fled the Welcome Center in a white vehicle. A short time later, a member of the patrol spotted a similar vehicle exiting Route 95 Northbound at exit 5 in a suspicious manner. The trooper then attempted to conduct a felony motor vehicle stop at the Four Star Truck Stop, but the female operator sped off with her male passenger. The trooper pursued the fleeing vehicle, which subsequently crashed into the woods at the intersection of Routes 3 and 102 in Exeter. Members of the Hope Valley Barracks and West Greenwich Police Department arrested the injured occupants, a 16-year-old male and 17-year-old female, and located two loaded handguns in their vehicle along with the robbery victim's wallet. Troopers subsequently learned that the 16-year-old male was a fugitive wanted in the State of Florida, where he had nearly killed another man a few days earlier after shooting the victim in the chest at close range. The weapons seized from the suspect's vehicle were linked to the armed robbery in Richmond, and the shooting/attempted murder in Florida.

Barracks Personnel

Sergeants: *Walter G. Anderson Jr., David J. Hayden (Sheriff's Detail),
Scott Hemingway*

Corporals: *Jan C. Hagopian, James M. Manni, John P. Flaherty (Court Officer)*

Troopers: *Celeste M Potter, Richard J. Altimari, Frank B. Castellone, Roger J. Reardon, Ann C. Assumpico, James M. Pardington, Stephen B. Flood, Gregory W. Cunningham, Wesley H. P. Pennington, Stephen N. Vanner, Christopher J. Schram, Jeffrey L. Clark, Richard D. Swanson Jr., Eric M. Yelle, Laurie Ludovici, Michael Brouillette, G. Thomas Chabot Jr., Daniel S. Fleming, Robert J. Richardson, Scott L. Hartwell, Luke R. Brisson, Scot G. Baruti, and Douglas S. Watters.*

Maintenance: *Mr. Scott A. Gordon*

EXETER BARRACKS

Barracks Staff: ***Troopers John W. Gibbs,
Thomas E. Jaques,
Jeffrey P. L'heureux***



The Exeter Barracks is staffed by three uniformed Troopers and two members of the Town Sergeant's office. The barracks is located at 675 Ten Rod Road in the town of Exeter, attached to the Exeter Town Hall. The barracks was established in March of 1998.

The barracks is responsible for the entire town of fifty-six square miles to include one hundred thirty State and local roadways. The town of Exeter borders six towns, as well as the State of Connecticut. The Troopers assigned to the Exeter Barracks work exclusively for the Town of Exeter and are assisted by Troopers assigned to the Hope Valley Barracks when needed.

During the year, members of the barracks investigated 543 incidents, 235 motor vehicle accidents, and effectuated 255 arrests in the Town of Exeter. Troopers also issued 2918 citations in the Town for motor vehicle offenses. Patrol activities and calls for service include domestic disturbances, larcenies, breaking and entering, juvenile criminal activity, traffic patrol and the enforcement of the town ordinances.

Interesting Investigation

During the month of January 2002, troopers assigned to the Exeter Barracks investigated several breaking and entering incidents in which suspects forced entry into the rear doorways of residences and then stole jewelry and electronic devices. When the investigation revealed that the surrounding South County police departments were also investigating similar incidents troopers and police officers from these departments shared intelligence and diligently pursued the investigation.

On February 11, 2002, two possible suspects were developed whose lengthy criminal histories revealed numerous convictions on charges of breaking and entering. Utilizing such investigative methods as a photographic line-up, analyzing pawn shop records, as well as comparisons of foot impressions processed at the crime scenes by members assigned to the State Police Criminal Investigative Unit, troopers were able to further the investigation and ascertain a current address in the City of Providence for one of the suspects. The investigation had also revealed that a female suspect had recently been incarcerated in the State of Massachusetts on the charges of breaking and entering. As a result of the extensive investigation, numerous affidavits and arrest warrants were prepared.

On February 15, 2002, at 4:30 pm, troopers, along with officers from the surrounding police departments responded to an address in the City of Providence and placed the male subject under arrest. The female subject was also arrested. The joint investigation culminated into solving thirty six (36) housebreaks in the South County area. Troopers solved all five of the housebreaks that the suspects had committed in the Town of Exeter and the majority of the jewelry and electronic devices were returned to their rightful owners.

WICKFORD BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT RAYMOND S. WHITE

PATROL AREA:

East Greenwich, Exeter,
Narragansett, North Kingstown,
South Kingstown, Warwick,
West Warwick



The Wickford Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Raymond S. White, a sixteen (16) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police.

The Wickford Barracks is located at 7875 Post Road in the Town of North Kingstown. The barracks is staffed by one lieutenant, two (2) sergeants, three (3) corporals, fifteen (15) troopers, and one (1) civilian maintenance person. The barracks is also supported with a staff of one detective sergeant and two detectives (assigned from headquarters). Seven of the barracks sworn personnel hold additional responsibilities through their assignment to specialized units which include the Division's Tactical Team (1 member), K-9 Team (3 members) and Motorcycle team (3 members).

The Wickford Barracks utilizes seventeen (17) marked uniform patrol vehicles, three (3) K-9 patrol vehicles, one unmarked "aggressive driving" patrol vehicle, and one 4X4 vehicle to patrol the approximately 200 square mile barracks patrol area while providing support to the Division's Exeter Patrol.

Interesting Investigation

On April 24, 2002, late patrol troopers stopped a vehicle on Route 95 in the City of Warwick. The operator of the vehicle initially had a non-chalant attitude and could not produce an operator's license. His non-chalant attitude quickly changed when he was asked to retrieve the vehicle registration and proof of insurance. The operator immediately became nervous and apologetic as he attempted to locate the documentation requested by the troopers. After unsuccessfully checking his vehicle for the requested documentation, the operator became increasingly nervous and evasive.

Based on their experience, Troopers requested that the operator exit his vehicle and performed a "pat-down" search for weapons. The "pat-down" search and subsequent investigation ultimately lead to the discovery of \$634.00 US dollars, forty-four (44) pills of ecstasy, twenty-four (24) grams of Cocaine, one (1) unit of LSD and approximately six (6) grams of Marijuana.

After the suspect was placed under arrest, an additional inventory of a book bag in the vehicle revealed various types of paraphernalia including: devices used for ingesting and preparing narcotics for ingestion, several ceramic and glass pipes, lighter fluid, multiple butane lighters, disposable lighters, rolling papers, a scale, a calculator, a ledger type book of telephone numbers and additional cash.

Once back at the barracks, one of the late patrol troopers utilized his K-9 to scan the operator's vehicle for additional narcotics. This scan provided a positive indication on the driver's side door and also on the driver's side seat.

The suspect was subsequently charged and convicted of Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Cocaine with intent to deliver Possession of Ecstasy, Possession of Ecstasy with intent to deliver Possession of Marijuana, and Possession of LSD.

Barracks Personnel

Sergeants: Edward J. Pendergast, Jr., Robert S. Cruz

Corporals: Arnold "Skip" Buxton, Paul J. Olszewski, Kelsey A. Marshall

Troopers: Brian M. Montminy, Matthew T. Zarrella, Wilfred K. Hill, Paul J. Conlon, Jeffrey C. Coleman, Erik W. Jones, Ernest McKenney, Darnell Weaver, Jean C. Tondre, Michael J. McGlynn, Peter J. Chabot, Eve Marani, Damien K. Longo, Peter A. Filuminia, Gina-Marie Chiello

COMMERCIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

LIEUTENANT MATTHEW T. GIARDINA

Lieutenant Matthew T. Giardina is the Commander of the Commercial Enforcement Unit and has served with the Unit since its inception in 1987.

The unit presently consists of one lieutenant, one sergeant, seven troopers, and one data entry coordinator. In addition, there are currently three uniform Troopers who have also received training in Motor Carrier Safety that are used on a part-time basis to assist in road checks and weight details. All these troopers receive extensive training in all phases of Motor Carrier Safety and Hazardous Material Transportation at the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) Region-1 Academy, located at the Massachusetts State Police Academy, in New Braintree, Massachusetts.

The Commercial Enforcement Unit, commonly known as the Truck Squad, has the responsibility of enforcing the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations and the Federal Hazardous Material Regulations. Unit members also enforce Rhode Island Size & Weight Regulations, Rhode Island Public Utility Motor Carrier Regulations, and Rhode Island Fuel Tax Regulations. The Unit is also responsible for conducting post-crash accident investigations involving commercial motor vehicles. Funding for the Unit comes from the Transportation Efficiency Act (TEA 21) and matching State funds.

Size and weight enforcement is conducted by using the semi-portable platform scales that are transported by trailer to a fixed site. Vehicles found to be overweight are then inspected and cited for the violations and off-loaded if necessary. Weight enforcement is also conducted by individual unit members with the use of portable wheel-weigher scales. These portable scales allow troopers to weigh vehicles that attempt to avoid the fixed site locations, and at locations where it would be impractical to use the semi-portable platform scales.

During the period from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002, the Unit conducted a total of 3,481 Safety Inspections of trucks and buses. This resulted in a total of 12,583 violations. In addition, a total of 1123 vehicles were placed out-of-service for serious safety violations, and 245 drivers were placed out-of-service for license and hour of service violations.

The Commercial Enforcement Unit obtained a federal grant to purchase and install mobile data computers in each of the Chevrolet Tahoe patrol vehicles. When conducting an inspection, troopers enter the inspection information directly into the computer. With a portable printer, an inspection sheet can then be immediately printed for the driver. Then the report is electronically sent to a national database (Safer Data Mailbox). The information is transmitted to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration in Washington, DC which tracks safety records of these trucking companies.

Several times during the year, members are requested to give presentations and demonstrations concerning the Federal Regulations and Safety Inspections. Unit members have also been requested to act as judges at the Rhode Island Trucking Associations' Championship.

The CEU is continuing its partnership with the Office of Motor Carriers involving High Risk Carrier and Driver Operations. This partnership allows additional enforcement activities on carrier operations throughout the nation. For the year 2002, twenty seven complaints were initiated. The partnership involves the following: When an inspection of an Interstate or Intrastate carrier reveals it to be a High Risk Operation, a formal letter of complaint is sent to the Rhode Island Office of Motor Carriers. This complaint is then forwarded to the Office of Motor Carriers in the state in which the carrier is domiciled. This allows the nation's High Risk carriers to be checked and inspected more frequently, which in turn improves highway safety.

As a result of the September 11, 2001 Terrorist Attacks the CEU continues to be involved in numerous Homeland Security details.

Commercial Enforcement Unit Personnel

Sergeant: Robert A. Farnum

Troopers: David J. Medeiros, Daniel C. Cusumano, John E. Furtado, Terrence B. Pendergast, Ronald J. Longolucco, Mark W. Gilson, Mark J. Perotti

Data Entry Coordinator: Mr. Glenn Lawrence

OPERATIONS OFFICER

LIEUTENANT MARK E. BILODEAU

Rhode Island State Police Special Operations Office is under the direct supervision of the Division's Operations Officer. Lt. Mark E. Bilodeau a twenty three-year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police is currently serving in this position. The office is located at T. F. Green Airport in Warwick.

The Operations Officer is responsible for certifying the operational readiness and preparedness of the Division's Special services, which includes the following teams: Honor Guard, Dive Team, Motorcycle Team, Tactical Team, and Canine Unit. Other duties and responsibilities of the Operations Officer is to ensure that all Patrol personnel properly carry out their assigned duties and conform to Division regulations. He is also responsible for two senior troopers who are permanently assigned to T. F. Green Airport .

During the past year the Operations Office was involved in the planning and coordination of the Division's response to such events as World Scholar Athlete Games, Special Olympics, Quonset Airshow, Newport Folk and Jazz Festivals, Olympic Torch Run and The Big "E" Detail.

Last but not least, the Operations Office / Airport Detail Troopers work in conjunction with the Airport Police assisting with security at T. F. Green Airport.

NIGHT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

LIEUTENANT STEPHEN M. BANNON

LIEUTENANT JOHN T. LAFRENIERE

The Night Executive Officers are charged with commanding all sworn and civilian personnel working during the night shift. There are two lieutenants assigned to this position. Lieutenant Stephen M. Bannon and Lieutenant John T. LaFreniere are both sixteen (16) year veterans.

Their responsibilities include the inspection and management of the troopers during this shift while coordinating all field activities by directing investigations and responding to all significant incidents. This includes assisting local city and town police on all law enforcement matters. The Night Executive Officers report directly to the District Commanders.

EXECUTIVE SECURITY

CORPORAL HERMAN G. SNEAD, JR.

The Executive Security Unit is under the command of Corporal Herman G. Snead a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. This unit is comprised of one (1) corporal and one (1) trooper. The Executive Security Unit reports directly to the Field Operations Officer.

The Governor's Executive Security Unit is charged with the responsibility for the protection and safety of the Governor and First Family. These responsibilities include personal security for the Chief Executive Officer, threat assessments and mail and telephone screening. The Executive Security Unit utilizes numerous resources to ensure the effectiveness and safety of the Governor. This includes communication with multiple law enforcement agencies including local, state, capitol police, U.S. Secret Service, FBI, U.S. State Department, and Foreign Travel Intelligence.

Additionally, the Executive Security Unit manages all transportation for the public appearances of the Governor.

Staff: Trooper David Tikoian

DETECTIVE BUREAU

Oftentimes, investigations of criminal violations require a great deal of time, expertise, and personnel commitment in building a successful case. The Detective Bureau is comprised of trained detectives who investigate serious crimes requiring specialized investigative techniques, forensic examination, cultivation of informants, clear and accurate testimony in a court of law, and exhaustive dedication to a case through its resolution.

Furthermore, the specialized units within the Detective Bureau focus their proactive efforts towards investigating crimes associated with the distribution of illegal narcotics, stolen automobiles, white collar crime, organized crime, Asian/Latin gangs, outlaw motorcycle gangs, and fugitives.

The various units are further assisted by the Criminal Identification Unit (CIU). The CIU collects and analyzes crime scene evidence which can be instrumental in identifying suspects, weapons used, and the modus operandum of a criminal case.

Detective Bureau Personnel

Detective

Commander: Captain Steven G. O'Donnell

Assistant Detective

Commander: Lieutenant John P. Blessing

Lieutenants: Stephen J. Lynch, Thomas A. Denniston, William F. Labossiere, David S. Neill, John T. Leyden III.

Sergeants: Richard D. Parrillo, Linda A. Bailey, Kevin D. Hopkins, Dennis E. Pincince, Joseph S. Delprete, LeRoy V. Rose, Jr., James O. Demers, Brian K. Casilli.

Corporals: David S. Palmer, Steven M. Lefebvre, Donald F. Devine Jr., Eric L. Croce, Nicholas M. Tella, Douglas C. Newberg.

Detectives: James D. Dougherty, Jr., Michelle Kershaw, John P. A'Vant, Arthur J. Kershaw, IV, Michael J. Winkvist, Raymond B. Studley, Benjamin M. Barney, Kevin J. Hawkins, John F. Killian, Joseph M. Dubeau, David A. Doucet, Ken M. Bell, John D. Lemont, Kevin M. O'Brien, Les C. Dunbar, Patrick T. Reilly, Todd D. Neill, Shari L. Russell, Claire L. Demarais, Diane M. Dougherty, Dennis B. Fleming, Kevin M. Barry, Scott E. Lebeau, Joseph F. Philbin, Michael D. Casey, Staci K. Shepherd, Gerald M. McKinney, Timothy G. Sanzi, Christopher J. DiComitis

Investigator: William Neyman

Civilians: Ms. Nancy Carlton, Mr. Clifford J. Coutcher, Ms. Karen Felice, Ms. Carol Iacobbo, Ms. Pauline Malec, Ms. Peta A. Rowett, Ms. Ann L. Storti, Ms. Lori A. Tellier

DETECTIVE COMMANDER

CAPTAIN STEVEN G. O'DONNELL

Captain Steven G. O'Donnell is the Detective Commander of the Rhode Island State Police. Captain O'Donnell has served the Division of State Police for sixteen and one-half (16½) years and has been assigned to the Detective Bureau for twelve (12) of those years.

Captain O'Donnell possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in the Administration of Justice from the University of New Haven and a Master of Arts degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Salve Regina University. He also graduated from the 211th FBI National Academy.

The Detective Commander is directly responsible for all criminal investigations as well as the administrative duties of the Detective Bureau and is accountable for the efficient operation of the individual units within the Detective Bureau. Daily activities, personnel assignments and overall supervision of the Bureau are accomplished together with the Assistant Detective Commander, Lieutenant John P. Blessing, a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Division.

The duties and responsibilities of the Detective Commander, Assistant Detective Commander, and Unit Supervisors are to plan, direct and implement the course of the Detective Bureau to meet the ever-changing requirements of criminal investigations.

By achieving these goals and objectives, the Division of State Police has maintained a Detective Bureau of highly-trained personnel. The Bureau is currently comprised of fifty (50) detectives, two (2) Deputy United States Marshall's, one civilian investigator, two financial auditors, three confidential transcribers, and two office managers, who are assigned to the following units within the Detective Bureau: Narcotics Unit/HIDTA, Intelligence Unit, Criminal Identification Unit, Financial Crimes Unit, Area Detectives, Auto Theft/Insurance Fraud Unit, Property Control and Lottery Investigations.

During the past year, the Detective Bureau investigated a total of seven hundred fifty-one (751) criminal cases which resulted in the arrest of six hundred ninety-nine (699) individuals. Members of the Detective Bureau assisted in three hundred twenty-nine (329) investigations with other police agencies. Additionally, members of the Detective Bureau have been assigned to investigations with Federal and local law enforcement as well as the Office of Attorney General and the United States Attorney's office.

During the past year, one detective was assigned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Joint Terrorism Task Force; a detective was assigned to the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Task Force; and, one State Police civilian employee was named as the Witness Protection Coordinator at the Office of Attorney General. Additionally, three State Police detectives were assigned to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force which is co-supervised by the Rhode Island State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

FINANCIAL CRIMES UNIT

LIEUTENANT STEPHEN M. BANNON

In 2002, the Financial Crimes Unit was led by Lieutenant Stephen M. Bannon. The Unit is comprised of one Officer In Charge, one corporal, five detectives, two civilian fraud managers/investigative auditors, and one criminal case coordinator.

The Financial Crimes Unit is staffed with a diverse group of personnel skilled in areas of criminal investigation involving fraud, also known as "white collar crime." The Unit is called upon to investigate a wide variety of financially motivated crimes which include public corruption, extortion, embezzlement, obtaining money by false pretenses, computer and insurance fraud, cyber-crime, forgery, credit card fraud, bank fraud, identity theft, and money laundering.

During the past year, the Financial Crimes Unit has expanded to include the Computer Crimes Section. Computer crimes have grown exponentially. Currently two detectives are primarily dedicated to investigating crimes involving computers. These detectives have completed a vast amount of training in the area of computer forensics. Additionally, the unit has obtained the necessary hardware and software to forensically examine seized computers.

Interesting Investigation

Over the past year, the Financial Crimes Unit has been active in an investigation involving a telemarketing scam. The investigation was initiated after an elderly complainant from Colorado filed a complaint with the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office. Based on this complaint, investigators were able to execute a search warrant at the home of the suspect. The continued investigation surrounding the target and the evidence seized from the search has resulted in investigators developing five additional suspects now implicated in a long-standing interstate telemarketing scheme which has its roots in the Florida "boiler rooms". This group of individuals moved into Rhode Island and are suspected of defrauding as many as 35 victims, primarily elderly, out of sums of money exceeding \$400,000. The scam involves an elaborate fraud scheme where the victims are lead to believe that they have won several million dollars in lotteries based in Florida, the Bahamas, Australia and Canada. The victims are then induced to wire money to the perpetrator(s) who tell them that they first must pay the taxes or other fees in order to collect the funds.

Investigators have tracked the suspects as they moved through Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Florida, New York, parts of Canada and the Bahamas collecting wired funds from their victims. Financial Crimes Unit Detectives have been conducting this investigation in conjunction with members from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. FCU and federal investigators are working closely with members from the United States Attorney's Office to bring federal indictments on charges of conspiracy and wire fraud against said perpetrators.

NARCOTICS UNIT

LIEUTENANT THOMAS A. DENNISTON

The Narcotics Unit is under the command of Lieutenant Thomas A. Denniston, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division. The Unit is comprised of one Sergeant, one Corporal and six Detectives. The Sergeant and two Detectives are assigned full-time to a Statewide Task Force known as the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. HIDTA is overseen jointly by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the State Police and is comprised of Troopers, FBI Special Agents and Detectives from local Police Departments. In addition to troopers and FBI agents, members of Providence, East Providence, Cranston, Warwick, Westerly and Woonsocket police departments are assigned to HIDTA. Additionally, two analysts from the Rhode Island National Guard Counterdrug Support Program are assigned to HIDTA.

The Narcotics Unit is responsible for conducting investigations relating to violations of the Uniformed Controlled Substances Act. These investigations include, but are not limited to undercover operations, reverse stings and buy/busts along with the Parcel Interdiction and Statewide Marijuana Eradication Programs. Narcotics Unit Detectives deal with confidential informants and utilize court-ordered search warrants and electronic surveillance as well as pen-registers and wire intercepts to build cases against and gather intelligence on drug traffickers. The Unit also assists members of the Uniform Patrol, local departments and other state and federal agencies with narcotics-related investigations. In addition, the Unit provides narcotics-associated in-service training and conducts public speaking engagements regarding narcotics-related information.

During the past year, the Unit was involved in the investigation of two hundred and twelve (212) cases resulting in one hundred and sixteen (116) criminal arrests.

Seized Contraband 2002

- ~ Five hundred and fifteen pounds (515) pounds of marijuana*
- ~ Five hundred and fifty-seven (557) marijuana plants*
- ~ Thirty one and one half (31 ½) pounds of cocaine*
- ~ Six and one half (6 ½) pounds of crack cocaine*
- ~ One hundred and two (102) grams of heroin*
- ~ Five thousand one hundred and three (5,103) packs of heroin*
- ~ One hundred (100) Vicodin tablets*
- ~ Two hundred and three (203) tablets of Ecstasy*
- ~ Ten (10) grams of methamphetamine*

***The above contraband has an estimated street value in excess of one million (\$1,000,000.00) dollars.*

Seized Property 2002

- ~ Twelve (12) firearms
- ~ Eleven (11) motor vehicles
- ~ Four hundred and fifteen thousand five hundred and one dollars (\$415,501.00) in United States Currency

Interesting Investigation

During the last week of January 2002, a Detective in the Narcotics Unit began receiving confidential information concerning a male subject who ran a large-scale cocaine distribution network from an apartment in Central Falls. The Detective learned that the male did not reside at the apartment but utilized the apartment as a "stash house" to store his cocaine. Additional information developed by the Detective was that the suspect might be storing cocaine in a Chevrolet Blazer parked behind the residence.

Detectives placed the apartment under surveillance and observed a Chevrolet Blazer parked out back. Detectives decided to conduct what is known as a "knock and talk" at the residence in an attempt to ascertain the ownership of the Blazer. As Detectives approached the residence, an unknown female arrived simultaneously at which time Detectives attempted to engage her in conversation. This female ignored the Detectives and would not acknowledge their presence. Detectives followed the female up the stairway to the third-floor landing. When the female gained entrance to the apartment, the Detectives identified themselves as members of the State Police. At this time the occupants of the apartment began running in various directions. Detectives observed a number of them to be wearing surgical gloves. Detectives also observed the ringleader of the group race from the kitchen into a nearby bedroom. As a result of this activity the two Detectives detained the subjects in question and obtained a search warrant for the apartment and a consent to search for the Blazer.

During the ensuing searches, investigators located and seized six kilograms of cocaine along with three thousand four hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$3,467.00) in United States currency. Also seized were cooking instruments, bagging materials, and other items needed to conduct a clandestine "crack" factory.

AREA DETECTIVE UNIT

LIEUTENANT DAVID S. NEILL

Lieutenant David S. Neill, a seventeen-year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police, commands the Area Detective Unit. The Area Detective Unit is comprised of five separate investigative branches within the Detective Bureau. The investigative branches include: South Zone Area, North Zone Area and Headquarters, Violent Fugitive Task Force, Weekends, and the Adult Correctional Institution.

The South Zone and North Zone detectives opened a total of 284 cases which led to 98 arrests. Their investigations pertain to, but are not limited to, crimes such as homicide, police shootings, sexual assault, child molestation, larceny, embezzlement, robbery, breaking and entering, violations of the banking laws, dangerous drugs, prison escape, automobile fatalities, assault with a deadly weapon and domestic assault. These detectives are often called upon to assist other detective units, local police departments, and federal agencies in sensitive investigations.

Members of Violent Fugitive Task Force conduct investigations which are usually volatile and pose an imminent risk. They are responsible for tracking wanted felons for various crimes such as homicide, dangerous drugs, escape, parole violations, fugitives from justice, and other felons wanted on warrants where the offender is often facing a substantial period of incarceration. VFTF is frequently called upon by the Attorney General's Office, Superior Court, and local and Federal Law Enforcement agencies to track down subjects who have avoided initial conventional arrest methods. The VFTF is also responsible for maintaining and updating Rhode Island's Ten Most Wanted list. These detectives are often called upon to assist other detective units, local police departments, and Federal agencies in sensitive investigations. During the 2002 calendar year, members of VFTF arrested a total of 189 felons.

Detectives assigned to the Adult Correctional Institution (ACI) focus their investigations on criminal offenses which occur on the grounds of the Howard Complex and the Training School. Their investigations pertain to, but are not limited to, crimes such as homicide, sexual assault, assault with a deadly weapon, arson, escape, dangerous drugs, and identity theft. These detectives work in conjunction with ACI investigators assigned to the Office of Inspection and ACI investigators assigned to the Special Investigations Unit. The two units are assigned to investigate employees and inmates respectively. ACI detectives investigated a total of 192 cases which resulted in 88 arrests.

Weekend Detectives are responsible for investigating any and all cases which occur during the weekends. Weekend detectives routinely provide investigative assistance to the Uniform Division. These detectives investigated 83 cases which resulted in 53 arrests.

Interesting Investigation

On January 1, 2002, the Rhode Island State Police Area Detectives, as well as members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force and Criminal Identification Unit, were called out to assist the State Police Portsmouth Barracks and Portsmouth Police Department with a homicide investigation that occurred at the Founders Brook Motel in Portsmouth. The victim was pronounced dead as a result of gunshot wounds. The victim was the manager of the motel and had been approached by a black male claiming to be a customer. The victim's eight-year-old son witnessed the black male shoot his father. Initially, the Rhode Island State Police, Portsmouth Police, and other local Rhode Island and Massachusetts agencies conducted numerous interviews and developed leads indicating that the motive was robbery.

Detectives learned that the victim's sister-in-law was recently divorced and the ex-husband was living in Pennsylvania but visited the Massachusetts area weekly to visit his daughter. It was learned that the victim had supervised these meetings. The investigation focused on the ex-husband, and detectives were able to determine that the ex-husband was in the Portsmouth area with a black male during the time of the shooting. During two interviews the ex-husband provided false information of his whereabouts and his activity. He then acknowledged he was with a black male known only by his first name. According to the ex-husband, he and the black male went to the Founders Brook Motel and the black male killed the victim while the ex-husband waited in his vehicle. The ex-husband claimed to be unaware of the black male's intention prior to the shooting. The ex-husband provided false information about how detectives could locate the shooter. The ex-husband was charged with First Degree Murder and Conspiracy.

Detectives were able to locate the black male New Orleans, LA. With the assistance of witnesses, the black male was positively identified as the shooter. Detectives established a time-line between the ex-husband and the black male, which resulted in the black male being arrested and charged with First Degree Murder and Conspiracy.

In December 2002, the ex-husband was convicted of First Degree Murder and Conspiracy after a jury trial; he is awaiting sentencing. The black male was extradited from Louisiana and is currently being held without bail pending his trial.

This was a concerted investigative effort between the Rhode Island State Police and Portsmouth Police, which took detectives to Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, South Carolina, Pennsylvania and Louisiana.

INTELLIGENCE UNIT

LIEUTENANT JOHN T. LEYDEN, III

The Intelligence Unit is under the command of Lieutenant John T. Leyden, III, a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Unit is currently comprised of one corporal and four detectives.

The Unit members are responsible for managing and maintaining confidential informants; maintaining a criminal intelligence file; tracking and identifying members of New England organized crime; maintaining and gathering information on various gangs; assisting with In-Service Training; providing informational seminars to other law enforcement agencies; assisting local, state and federal agencies with investigations; conducting electronic sweeps; researching modern technical equipment; and, assisting Rhode Island State Police personnel when deemed necessary by the Detective Commander. The Unit members are also responsible for sharing information with the New England State Police agencies, as well as the New York State Police; Customs; the Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms Agency; the Drug Enforcement Agency; the Federal Bureau of Investigations; the New England State Police Information Network (NESPIN); and other state and local agencies.

The Unit's primary goal is to identify and suppress the widespread illegal activities of organized criminal enterprises. Historically, the Intelligence Unit primarily monitored the activities of traditional La Cosa Nostra. However, over the past decade, the Unit's responsibilities have diversified to include investigations of terrorism, outlaw motorcycle gangs, drug cartels, and Latin and Asian organized crime.

The Intelligence Unit prioritizes investigations relating to violations of Rhode Island's criminal statutes relating to threats and extortion, gambling and lotteries, organized criminal gambling, racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations (RICO), and violations of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act. These violations are investigated by conducting surreptitious physical and electronic surveillance, court-authorized wire installations, pen registers, controlled-buys, buy/bust operations, and reverse sting operations. The majority of these investigations culminate in the execution of court-authorized arrest and search warrants. The execution of these warrants frequently result in eminent criminals being arrested and the seizure of their illegally-obtained assets.

The majority of cases investigated by the Intelligence Unit are a result of initiating pro-active investigative techniques. These types of cases usually result from the cultivation of confidential informants rather than being assigned by the Detective Commander.

The Unit is also self-sufficient as it relies on utilizing motor vehicles and cash seizures from state and federal forfeitures to facilitate the purchase of equipment and provide financial support for the continuation of investigations.

During the past calendar year, members of the Intelligence Unit investigated over 138 cases resulting in the criminal arrests of 92 subjects and the seizures of substantial assets. The seizures included \$431,338.00 in United States Currency, 10 vehicles, 14 firearms, 1,592 grams of cocaine, 150 grams of crack cocaine, 10 pounds of marijuana, 60 grams of heroin and 100 tablets of steroid. The total value of narcotics seized was \$73,750.00.

Interesting Investigation

During the months of August and September 2002, detectives of the Rhode Island State Police Intelligence Unit continued to receive information from confidential informants regarding the Providence Chapter of the Hells Angels who were hosting their 10th Anniversary Party at their clubhouse in the City of Providence on September 7, 2002. Informant information revealed that this party might be attended by hundreds of Hells Angels members throughout the country.

During the first week of September 2002, detectives learned that Hells Angels members were in possession an array of firearms, "martial arts" type weapons and narcotics which were being stored within the compound of their clubhouse. It was also learned that the acting president of the Providence Chapter of Hells Angels was storing firearms and narcotics at his residence in the Town of West Warwick.

Armed with this information, in the early morning hours of September 7, 2002, members of the Rhode Island State Police Detective Bureau, Uniform Bureau, SWAT Team, members of the Rhode Island Department of Corrections Special Response Team, agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigations, members of Providence Police Department and West Warwick Police Department simultaneously executed court-authorized search warrants at the clubhouse in Providence and at the acting president's residence in West Warwick.

As a result of executing these court-authorized warrants, eight subjects were arrested and detectives seized five (5) handguns, two (2) shotguns, ammunition, an array of martial arts type weapons, cocaine, marijuana and approximately \$3,700.00. Detectives gathered an abundance of intelligence on the Hells Angels, which has been disseminated with other law enforcement agencies throughout the country.

AUTO THEFT AND INSURANCE FRAUD UNIT

SERGEANT JAMES O. DEMERS

The Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit is under the command of Sgt. James O. Demers, a sixteen (16) veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. This unit is currently comprised of one Sergeant, four detectives, one investigator and a unit secretary.

The Unit is responsible for the investigation of crimes involving the theft and other unauthorized use of motor vehicles, as well as automobile related insurance fraud. In addition, the unit provides assistance to other units within the Detective Bureau as well as providing support to the department's uniform members in areas such as vehicle identification, document authenticity, and investigations that remain at the barracks level.

The unit also provides support and works as a liason to investigators with the Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicle's Enforcement Division in identifying vehicles through the use of secondary points of identification, and with the inspection of vehicles through the state's "salvage inspection" program. The Unit also provides assistance to both the Insurance and Body Shop/Salvage Divisions

within the Department of Business Regulation in the oversight of Automobile Body Repair Shops and Auto Salvage and Wrecking Yards.

The Auto Theft Unit has been aggressive in initiating proactive investigations into large scale insurance fraud cases, the operation of automotive “chop shops”, and groups of individuals involved in large-scale and “retagging” operations.

During the past calendar year, members of the Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit investigated 139 cases. These investigations resulted in the arrest of 110 subjects. The Unit is also responsible for coordinating the Fraud investigations that were forwarded from the Department of Labor and Training regarding the unlawful collection of unemployment benefits. Investigations throughout the year resulted in the recovery of fifty-three (53) stolen motor vehicles having a total value of two hundred and ninety two thousand dollars (\$292,000). In addition, unit members assist members of local law enforcement on a weekly basis with the identification of stolen motor vehicles and/or investigations that involve insurance fraud.

Interesting Investigation

During the latter part of 2001, members of the Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit received information relating to a local auto body shop who was actively involved in defrauding various insurance companies. Members of the unit began an undercover insurance fraud investigation based on this information. The information alleged that the auto body shop was in the practice of enhancing damage to vehicles as well as billing for damage not sustained to vehicles brought there for repair.

For use during this investigation, Metropolitan Insurance Company provided the Auto Theft Unit with a 1999 Audi, which was a recovered theft with minor damage. The vehicle was completely photographed at the beginning of this investigation. The vehicle was also examined by a certified expert technician and the amount of damage was determined to be approximately \$1200.00. Metropolitan Insurance provided an insurance policy for the detective working in an undercover capacity. The vehicle was then registered in the undercover detective’s name.

This vehicle was then reported stolen by members of the unit. Arrangements were made for the recovery of the vehicle by a local police department. Once recovered, the vehicle was towed to the auto body shop for repair. Surveillance was maintained on this vehicle as it was towed to the auto body shop. A few days later members of the unit learned that this body shop had submitted an appraisal to Metropolitan Insurance Company in the amount of \$20,976.00 for repair of the 1999 Audi. An appraisal conducted by Metropolitan several days later was in the amount of \$10,281.35. The auto body shop agreed to repair the vehicle for the lower figure.

The 1999 Audi remained at the body shop for nine weeks. Towards the end of 2001, the undercover detective responded to the auto body shop to pick up the 1999 Audi.

A short time after the vehicle was picked up, a certified master collision repair/refinish expert responded to State Police Headquarters to examine the 1999 Audi. As a result of the examination, it was learned that the body shop had billed Metropolitan Insurance for at least ten (10) items that were never repaired or replaced. This was a clear indication of false billing and insurance fraud.

A few weeks later, another detective working in an undercover capacity brought the same body shop another vehicle for repair. The vehicle, a 1995 Mercedes Benz was provided by Amica Insurance. An insurance policy was provided by Amica using the detective’s undercover name. This vehicle had no damage at the time Amica provided the vehicle. Prior to bringing the vehicle to the body shop, members of the unit added minor damage to the vehicle’s left front quarter panel. Several

photographs and a videotape were taken while the damage was added as well as after the damage was added.

At the beginning of 2002, the 1995 Mercedes was brought to the body shop and the undercover detective was advised by the owner of this body shop that the damage was approximately \$700.00.

A formal appraisal was then done on this vehicle by the owner of the body shop and was submitted to Amica Insurance Company in the amount of \$2,672.40.

Approximately two weeks later, the undercover detective responded to the body shop to pick up the 1995 Mercedes Benz after the vehicle had been repaired.

Two weeks later, a certified expert responded to State Police Headquarters to examine the Mercedes Benz. As a result of this examination, it was learned that the body shop had billed Amica Insurance Company for several items that were never repaired or replaced.

Based on this investigation, an arrest warrant was prepared for the owner of this body shop. In addition, a search warrant was prepared for paperwork pertaining to the two claims for the Audi and the Mercedes Benz, and also for receipts for repair work done to the vehicles. The owner who is a former President of the Auto Body Association was arrested and charged with two counts of Insurance Fraud and two counts of Obtaining Money under False Pretenses Over \$500.00.

CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION UNIT

LIEUTENANT WILLIAM F. LABOSSIERE

The Criminal Identification Unit (CIU) provides a variety of investigative services to the Division and criminal justice agencies on both the local and Federal level. The responsibilities of the unit include, crime scene investigation, evidence processing, fingerprint identification, polygraph examinations, arrestee processing, and maintaining criminal arrest records. Furthermore, the CIU is responsible for conducting numerous criminal background checks on employees of day care facilities, nursery schools, health care agencies, and other areas of employment concerned with the custody and care of young children.

The CIU is presently comprised of a Lieutenant, two Sergeants, two Detective Troopers, and one civilian clerk. Due to the highly specialized and technical nature of much of their work, members of the Unit attend various training schools and seminars directed toward the intricate field of criminalistics. Specialized training is essential for the proper preservation of physical evidence and reconstruction of crime scenes. A variety of notorious criminal trials in national news headlines and TV programs have heightened everyone's awareness of just how important this area of criminal investigation is to the search for the truth in our nations courtrooms. Despite being comprised of only five members, the CIU must be ready to provide these services 24 hours each day.

The Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) equipment and software installed at the ISSB/CIU site has tremendously enhanced the Division's crime solving capability. The Unit has the capability to digitally capture and enhance latent fingerprints for entry into the AFIS system. The Unit is also continuing to pursue the acquisition of additional Live Scan fingerprint workstations that enable fingerprints to be recorded and electronically submitted into the RI AFIS system and into the

Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS). To date, five Live Scan units have been installed and are fully operational. Additionally, the Unit has successfully interfaced the Live Scan unit's with the Division's RMS system. Within the Division's RMS system is a digital mug-shot system allowing for an electronic photographic database. The photographs can be electronically wired to other barracks and outside law enforcement agencies. In keeping pace with today's technological advances, the Unit has acquired and installed equipment and software giving them the capability to capture and enhance still photographs from surveillance and VHS videotapes.

Interesting Investigation

During the month of December of 2002, the Pawtucket Police Department was investigating two sexual assaults that occurred at two different housing complexes in their City. Both housing complexes had video surveillance cameras in operation at the time of the assaults. The cameras were recording the entrances to the complexes.

Pawtucket detectives subsequently transported the two videotapes to the CIU for analysis. A member of the CIU was able to enhance the videotapes and furnish photographs of the suspect to the detectives.

Pawtucket officers subsequently showed the photographs of the suspect to members of the community resulting in the suspect being positively identified. The suspect was then located and interviewed regarding the allegations. The suspect gave a full confession detailing his involvement in the sexual assaults.

This investigation is just one example of the CIU working with new technologies and local police agencies to serve the people of Rhode Island.

<i>Criminal Identification Unit</i>
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Activity	2002	2001	2000
AFIS Inquiries	1151	854	615
Assist other police agencies	264	176	256
CIU Investigations	484	529	525
Civilian Applicants Fingerprinted	932	838	665
Criminal History Checks	2252	1,540	1,706
Expungements	129	140	124
Processes (fingerprint & mug shots)	2311	2,127	1.810

PROPERTY CONTROL OFFICER

SERGEANT LINDA A. BAILEY

Sergeant Linda A. Bailey is a nineteen (19) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police and is charged with the control of found, recovered and evidentiary property. This is critically important in investigative areas and in the proper handling, security and disposition of property.

During 2002, the following narcotics were seized by the Uniform and Detective Bureaus:

<i>Marijuana</i>	<i>179,981 grams / 397 pounds</i>
<i>Cocaine</i>	<i>13,150 grams / 29 pounds</i>
<i>Heroin</i>	<i>5,160 grams / 11 pounds</i>
<i>Miscellaneous (Valium, Steroids, etc)</i>	<i>370 grams / 81 pounds</i>
<i>Tox Samples</i>	<i>380 Items sent to State Toxicology Lab</i>

The following is the total amount of money received as a result of narcotic seizures and money seized by the Intelligence Unit and Narcotics Unit.

<i>Narcotics</i>	<i>\$178,903</i>
<i>Intelligence</i>	<i>\$415, 423</i>

The following is the total number of weapons received from the Uniform and Detective Bureau and the total number of weapons returned:

<i>Weapons Seized</i>	<i>128</i>
<i>Weapons Returned</i>	<i>110</i>

The following is the total number of vehicles that were seized by the Uniform and Detective Bureau and the total number of vehicles returned and forfeited.

<i>Vehicles Seized</i>	<i>53</i>
<i>Vehicles Returned</i>	<i>43</i>
<i>Vehicles Forfeited</i>	<i>11</i>

The following miscellaneous evidence was received from the Uniform and Detective Bureaus. This evidence includes items that were seized along with weapons, narcotics, and other investigations:

<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>659 Items</i>
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The following evidence was returned. This evidence would include miscellaneous evidence that involved narcotics, weapons and investigations:

<i>Evidence Returned</i>	<i>291 Items</i>
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The following is the amount of evidence that was destroyed:

<i>Evidence Destroyed</i>	<i>2429 Items</i>
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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

MAJOR BRENDAN P. DOHERTY

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Kimberley Asselin

Major Brendan P. Doherty, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division is the Major of Administrative Services. He possesses a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice. The Major of Administrative Services is the Division's third highest-ranking officer.

The Major is responsible for the personnel and fiscal management of the Division and is ultimately accountable for the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS) and the state's connection to the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS). Responsibilities also include overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Division's Administrative Units. The Major also handles Union issues and concerns pertaining to sworn and civilian personnel.

The Division's annual 40-hour in-service training program for all sworn personnel during 2002 was delivered in four phases. The curriculum, which was developed by the Training Committee, included the following segments:

<i>Legal Issues</i>	<i>Motor Vehicle Pursuits</i>
<i>Use of Force</i>	<i>Cultural Diversity</i>
<i>Bloodborne Pathogens</i>	<i>Terrorism</i>
<i>Mobile Video/Audio Recording Equipment</i>	<i>Weapons of Mass Destruction</i>
<i>DWI Issues & Updates</i>	<i>CPR/AED Training</i>
<i>Search & Seizure</i>	<i>Ethics</i>
<i>Hate Crimes</i>	<i>Domestic Violence</i>
<i>Firearms/Shotgun Training</i>	

During the past year, the Division continued to acquire the latest in law enforcement technology. The Division replaced the entire RILETS hardware and software platform. The Division acquired a new mobile e-mail system for laptops so that Division members could access email in their vehicles. The Division added equipment to transfer fingerprint images to the FBI via the RILETS network. The Division is also facilitating the electronic responses of local law enforcement for fingerprint submissions.

TRAFFIC SERVICES/PLANNING AND RESEARCH UNIT

LIEUTENANT CYNTHIA A. ARMOUR

Corporals: Robert E. Cunniff, Jr., Karen D. Pinch

The Traffic Services / Planning & Research Unit is under the command of Lieutenant Cynthia A. Armour, a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Division. Lieutenant Armour has served in both the Patrol and Detective Bureaus prior to her current assignment.

In an effort to improve highway safety throughout the State, the Unit has worked closely with the Governor's Office on Highway Safety and the Rhode Island Department of Transportation throughout the past year. The Unit is also responsible for representing the Division on various national, state, local and private organizations and committees regarding highway safety issues. These include, but are not limited to, the National "Operation C.A.R.E." coalition, State Traffic Commission, Rhode Island Traffic Safety Coalition, Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Committee, Risk Watch® State Management Team, the National Association of Women Highway Safety Leaders, the Rhode Island SafeKids Coalition, and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

Another vital aspect of the Division's highway safety enforcement programs is educational components involving the "seat belt convincer" and child passenger safety programs. These programs are designed to educate citizens and visitors of our state regarding seat belt and child restraint safety and to increase safety belt usage in Rhode Island. The "seat belt convincer" is a crash simulator that allows participants to experience a low impact crash while wearing a safety belt. The purpose of the seat belt convincer is to demonstrate how seat belts, when used correctly, prevent injuries. During the past year, the Division's seat belt convincer was deployed at twenty-eight events throughout the State. During these events, approximately two hundred ninety eight persons demonstrated the seat belt convincer in front of an estimated audience of twenty seven thousand fifty five.

The Division currently has eleven sworn members certified as child passenger safety technicians. Two of our members are instructors in the forty-hour course required to become a technician. These child passenger safety technicians are experts regarding the proper installation of child safety seats. These members are available on a daily basis upon request and will inspect child restraint seat installation when requested by the motoring public. During the past year, Division technicians participated in seventeen child safety seat checkup events held throughout the State. This program has received tremendous support from the public and is a vital aspect regarding the Divisions' goal towards improving child passenger safety in the State of Rhode Island.

The Unit continues to oversee a full-time member assigned to the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal as Court Prosecution Officer. The duties of the Division's Prosecution Office include the dissemination and collection of Tribunal summonses and handling all arraignments for motorists who appear before the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal for Division issued summonses. The Prosecution Officer also schedules Division trials, if requested by the motorists, at the arraignment. The Prosecution Officer also represents the Division at motion hearings, appeals, as well as answering any and all discovery and inspection requests filed by motorists or their attorneys for all Division related Traffic Tribunal matters. The Prosecution Officer also acts as the liaison with the staff at the Traffic Tribunal and has varied clerical and administrative assignments as well.

The Planning and Research Unit continually attempts to implement progressive and innovative changes in the field of law enforcement. In addition, the Unit researches and develops new technical and administrative programs that will enhance the future organizational growth of the Division. Furthermore, the Unit is also charged with the responsibility of planning and organizing various events for the Division.

The Unit is also responsible for the Rhode Island State Police internship program. During 2002, this internship program included over twenty-three interns from colleges and universities throughout New England. Additionally, the State Police has hosted several high school students in Job Shadowing programs. This program allows high school students who are interested in a career in law enforcement to spend several hours during a school day with a trooper in an attempt to learn what a trooper does over the course of a day.

Additional responsibilities of the Unit include collecting and compiling statistical information regarding the Division and the circulation of all data and planning information in a timely manner. The Unit is also accountable for the creation, compilation, and production of the Division's Annual Report.

MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN UNIT

*MR. STEVEN A. LOYNDS
MANAGER*

Mr. Steven A. Loynds is the Administrative Assistant in charge of the Missing and Exploited Children Unit and has served with the Division for twelve (12) years. The Missing and Exploited Children Unit processes Missing Person (Children) reports received from forty-six law enforcement agencies throughout the State. These reports are verified as active in NCIC (National Crime Information Center) and are then entered into a database, from which reports are generated on a regular basis. The reports are then forwarded to the Department of Education and the Department of Vital Statistics, who in turn flag their records. These reports are also sent to the forty-six law enforcement agencies, which validate and verify the status of the individual Missing Children cases. Once a child is returned, the case is removed from NCIC and the Missing Children database.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Washington has provided a computer and software to the Unit, which enables it to coordinate with the National Center and with clearinghouses in the other forty-nine states and in many other countries. Through this network, pictures of missing children and other information related to the search for and recovery of missing children are shared. Flyers and data on missing children from the National Center and other agencies are distributed to law enforcement agencies throughout the state. The Unit also has educational and informational materials relative to child safety issues, which are available to schools in Rhode Island.

During the period of January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002, the Unit received a total of 854 missing / runaway juvenile reports from all law enforcement agencies throughout the state. Of those, 47 remain active and 707 were located/returned.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING UNIT

*MRS. LINDA FRACCOLA
OPERATIONS MANAGER*

Mrs. Linda Fraccola is the Operations Manager for the Rhode Island State Police and has served with the State Police for sixteen (16) years. She is responsible for the statewide operation of the Uniform Crime Reporting Unit (UCR) and is the crime collection liaison between local law enforcement and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The UCR System is the State's crime system, which is mandated by Rhode Island General Laws to assemble uniform offense and arrest data from local and state law enforcement agencies, in a form prescribed the Superintendent.

The Rhode Island UCR System conforms to the specifications of the Criminal Justice Information Services of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which provides a detailed nationwide view of crime based on the submission of statistics by law enforcement agencies throughout the country.

With receipt of data covering thirty-nine (39) reporting jurisdictions within the state of Rhode Island, the problems of attaining uniformity are readily apparent. It is the standard operating procedure to examine incoming reports for mathematical accuracy and completeness, and perhaps of even greater importance, for reasonableness as a possible indication of error. Regardless of the extent of the statistical verification process used by the UCR Unit, the accuracy of the data assembled under this system depends on the sincere effort exerted by each contributor to meet the necessary standards.

*Crime data is compiled in Microsoft Access, Excel, and Word. This Windows based management system has been programmed to the specifications of the UCR Unit and to detail offenses and arrest data, law enforcement employee counts, and other special programs of particular interest. With the use of these computer-generated reports and statistical analysis, the UCR Unit produces an annual publication entitled, *Crime in Rhode Island*. Included in this publication are detailed sections on ten year trends, municipal profile data, hate crime data, domestic violence data, an offense analysis, and a directory of Rhode Island law enforcement agencies. The UCR Unit then assembles, publishes, and distributes the statistics to criminal justice agencies, the general assembly, and public research groups.*

*Hardcopies of *Crime in Rhode Island* can be obtained by contacting the UCR Unit at 444-1121. Also, the file maybe downloaded through the Rhode Island State Police Home Page at www.risp.state.ri.us/ by selecting the bullet entitled *Crime Statistics**

TRAINING ACADEMY

LIEUTENANT ARMAND H. BILODEAU, JR.

Staff: Corporal Ernest Quarry

The Training Academy is under the command of Lieutenant Armand H. Bilodeau, Jr., a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division who is responsible for all training activities.

The Training Academy is located at 64 Winsor Road in the Town of Foster and is responsible for conducting the Rhode Island State Police Basic Instruction School, all in-service training for members of the Division, selected regional law enforcement conferences and continuing education courses in law enforcement. The Training Academy also coordinates training with the other New England State Police Administrators Conference (NESPAC) Trainers.

The Training Academy handles a variety of public service functions on behalf of the Division such as conducting career awareness programs at many area high schools and colleges in Rhode Island as part of a continuing effort to attract qualified candidates for the Rhode Island State Police.

In January of 2002, the Division continued its mandatory In-Service Training Program that is designed to provide sworn members with all In-Service Training Courses in four (4) phases facilitated throughout the calendar year. The training received by Division members focused on the following areas: High Speed Pursuits, Weapons of Mass Destruction, Bloodborne Pathogens, Motor Vehicle Search and Seizure, Legal Issues and Updates, Cultural Diversity, Firearms Training (including qualifications and night firing), First Aid / CPR / AED Training, Recognizing and Investigating Terrorism, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Mobile Video / Audio Recording Equipment, Ethics, WMD / Personal Protective Equipment, Use of Force Continuum / Weaponless Control Techniques, Hate Crimes, DWI Law Updates and Domestic Violence.

The Training Academy Staff continues to work diligently, in preparing for the proposed 52nd Recruit Training Academy Class. In September of 2002, the Division established a Technical Review Committee to score and evaluate proposals from various vendors to Develop and Administer an Entrance Exam for the Position of Rhode Island State Trooper in preparation for the proposed 52nd Recruit Training Academy Class. The Division has received over four thousand (4000) applicant letters of interest for this anticipated class. The Training Academy is also working with RI.gov to establish an online Rhode Island State Police Employment Application.

The Training Academy's goal is to ensure that the Rhode Island State Police remain at the forefront of law enforcement training in order to serve and protect the citizens of our state.

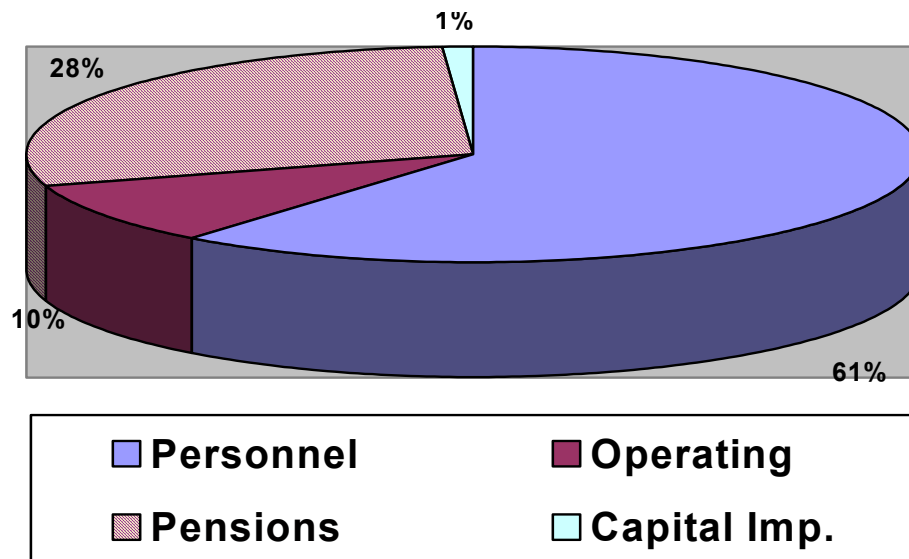
FISCAL OFFICE
MRS. ELAINE M. RICHARDS
DIRECTOR

Assistant: Mrs. Dawn Murphy

Mrs. Elaine Richards is the Director of Fiscal Management for the Rhode Island State Police and has been employed in the Fiscal Office since 1983. In this position, she is responsible for overseeing the staff accounting and fiscal management of the Division. Through her office, the Division's budget is projected and monitored in conjunction with the State's Budget Office. Incorporated with these duties is the additional responsibility of reviewing and processing all purchases made by the Division along with the maintenance of the personnel employment records and payroll activities. Mrs. Richards is also responsible for developing, budgeting and implementing the capital improvement projects for the Division.

Expenditures – All Funds

Fiscal Year 2002
\$41,917,527



TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES UNIT

LIEUTENANT PATRICK J. DWYER

Lieutenant Patrick J. Dwyer is the officer in charge of the Division's Technology and Communication Unit. Lt. Dwyer has been a member of the Division for 23 years, serving at all barracks in the Patrol Bureau and as Patrol Commander of Portsmouth and Hope Valley Barracks. He serves as the Division's representative on the Governor's Commission on Bias and Prejudice, the Governor's Justice Commission's Technical Advisory Committee and the E-911 Uniform Emergency Telephone System Advisory Commission

The Technology and Communication Unit is comprised of the RILETS/NCIC Control Section, Management Information Systems, the Records Management Systems (RMS), and the Radio Communications Unit, all of which are located in the Investigative and Support Services Building in North Scituate.

RADIO SERVICES ***MR. THOMAS CROTTY, DIRECTOR***

Staff: Mr. Leonard Biron

Mr. Thomas Crotty is the Director of Radio Communications and has served with the Division for over seven (7) years. He is responsible for the performance of the Rhode Island State Police radio communication systems. The radio systems provide voice and data communications for the Division and are supported by thirteen (13) communication sites located throughout the state. The system also supports radio traffic for the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority, Department of Environmental Management, and the Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Center. The tower sites support radio systems used by the FBI, US Coast Guard, FAA, NOAA and other governmental agencies.

As the microwave and VHF radio communications systems are the lifeline of the Rhode Island State Police, it is imperative that the systems are at an optimum level of performance at all times. The staff inspects and monitors all communication sites on a regular basis to insure that the systems are kept at the highest level of reliability. Radio Services is also responsible for the installation and repair of the fleet emergency systems that include emergency lights, radio equipment, video and radar units.

Radio Services is currently involved in projects to increase radio coverage, upgrade transmission sites and improve services to the fleet. Radio Services is also involved in the construction of an 800 MHz radio system for the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority. This new radio system will be operational in late 2003 and includes many upgrades to the existing radio communications infrastructure. Radio Services is also participating in the development of a Statewide 800 Mhz radio system that will provide voice and data services to multiple agencies.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

***MR. JAMES SHEA
DIRECTOR***

***Assistants: Ms. Carol Darigan
Mr. Rafael Tejada
Mr. William Guy***

The Management Information Systems (MIS) Unit maintains the operation and enhancement of the Rhode Island State Police's Wide Area Network. This network encompasses the entire state, consisting of five barracks, the Financial Crimes Unit, the training academy, several remote sites, and the Headquarters complex located in North Scituate. The Unit manages over sixteen servers, two hundred plus users, and several miles of fiber optic and twisted pair cabling.

This year the MIS Unit has been focusing on updating it's computer system to current standards. Federal funding has been secured to purchase new personal computers to replace the outdated systems located in the State Police barracks and Headquarters. The MIS Unit has started testing candidate systems that are available to the State Police on the State of Rhode Island's Master Price Agreement. The systems will be tested for compatibility with current State Police software systems. Also new operating systems will be tested on the network for compatibility with the current network operating systems.

The MIS Unit has been continuing to support the State Police network on a 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year schedule. Network uptime this year has been excellent with few network related problems reported for the year. A new server cluster was implemented with an eye to the future storage and stability being the main focus. After the personal computer rollover, the MIS will cast an eye to the aging server and backbone routing systems. Funding, specifications, testing and implementation will hopefully be taking place in the near future.

The Management Informations Systems Unit will continue it's efforts in keeping the Rhode Island State Police current in it's technology. This will enable the State Police to utilize it's technology in it's mission to provide Law Enforcement to the people of Rhode Island in the "Service of the State".

RILETS/NCIC CONTROL SECTION

***MISS JOAN COLLINS
SUPERVISOR***

Miss Joan Marie Collins is the supervisor of the RILETS/ Telecommunications Unit. She has served with the State Police for ten (10) years, starting as a Telecommunicator in November of 1992.

The RILETS/ Telecommunications Unit operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, accessing several databases for information regarding wanted/missing persons, stolen property, criminal histories, vehicle registrations, and driver's licenses. The fundamental information and support provided by the Unit is essential for the safety of the troopers and other police officers.

Assistance is provided to municipal police departments, state, and federal agencies, concerning policies and procedures for the NCIC, NLETS, and RILETS systems. The Unit also assists the agencies with any problems that they may encounter with the systems, including hardware or software concerns, and frame relay failures. In addition, the Unit monitors and directs both incoming and outgoing interstate message traffic to ensure that they are properly formatted and directed to the correct destinations.

The Unit is responsible for maintaining Affidavit and Arrest Warrants for the State Police, processing the monthly NCIC validations, sending messages over RILETS for the Rhode Island Department of Corrections Parole Board, obtaining out-of-state criminal history information for authorized state programs, and monitoring the National Alert Warning Systems telephones and R.I. Emergency Management Agency radios for emergency and testing situations.

During the past calendar year, the Unit performed a total of 99,270 computer checks for Division members. These checks resulted in 324 confirmed NCIC hits and 1773 confirmed hits from the Rhode Island state files.

UNIT STAFF

*Mr. Paul Johnson
Mr. Albert E. Peterson
Mr. John R. Murphy
Mr. Emil Leduc
Mr. Michael Guenet*

*Mr. Richard Peck
Ms. Linda K. Slader
Ms. Karen Previte
Ms. Susan Walsh*

TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT

***MR. BRIAN GLANCY
DIRECTOR OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS***

***Staff: Mr. Gordon P. Roberts
Training & Auditing Specialist***

***Mr. Stephen R. Friedrich
Technical Support Specialist***

Mr. Brian J. Glancy is the Director of Telecommunications, with responsibility for both the Technical Services Unit, and the RILETS Telecommunications Unit, and has been employed by the Rhode Island State Police since 1972. The Technical Services Unit is responsible for the operation, maintenance, and programming of the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. The RILETS System is the state's law enforcement and criminal justice information network and delivers documented law enforcement and criminal justice information to all local, state, and federal law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in Rhode Island. The RILETS System is operational twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, three hundred sixty-five (365) days a year. The RILETS Telecommunications Unit provides timely criminal justice related information to State Police personnel. The unit also provides and maintains the RILETS help desk, and is responsible for monitoring the status of RILETS, its message traffic, and its interfaced systems on a continuing basis.

The RILETS System is directly interfaced to the FBI's National Crime Information Center, which provides on-line information on wanted/missing persons, stolen property, and criminal history record information; the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS), which provides law enforcement message switching services among the fifty (50) States; the Rhode Island Department of Attorney General which provides automated Criminal History Information; the Rhode Island Judicial Information System, which provides real time criminal warrant information to authorized users, the Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles, which provides automated vehicle registration, drivers license, and driver history information; and the National Weather Service, which provides automated weather updates to all RILETS Users.

The RILETS Network was upgraded in 2002 to the latest technologies, and the entire RILETS hardware and software platform is scheduled for replacement in 1st Quarter 2003. The new RILETS System provides a greatly enhanced capability to run investigative off-line searches. Off-line searches aid law enforcement investigations by retrieving old data, or information not currently available on the on-line RILETS Network. The new RILETS also provides a greatly enhanced statistical package, in order to provide a much more detailed analysis of system usage and performance.

The Technical Services Unit is responsible for the Mobile Data Terminals in the State Police Patrol Vehicles, and most local law enforcement agencies. The Mobile Terminal Controllers are directly connected to the RILETS System, and provides real time information on wanted persons, stolen vehicles, and registry information, as well as car to car, and base to car messaging directly to State Police Mobile Units, thus eliminating the need for inquiries to be conducted over voice radio.

Mr. Glancy is the CJIS/NCIC Control Terminal Officer for Rhode Island, and is the Rhode Island NLETS Representative. Mr. Glancy is currently serving as 1st Vice Chairman of the FBI's CJIS/NCIC Northeast Regional Working Group, is a member of the National Crime Information Center Subcommittee, of the FBI CJIS Advisory Policy Board, and is Vice Chairman of Region A, of the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. Mr. Glancy is also a member of the RI Justice Commission's Justice Link Technical Advisory Committee, and the Rhode Island Emergency Management Advisory Council, Communications Working Group.

PERSONNEL/FLEET OFFICER

GLENN J. SKALUBINSKI

LIEUTENANT

Maintenance: **Mr. Jose Pinheiro**
 Mr. David Padula
 Mr. Vincent Snurkowski

Lt. Glenn J. Skalubinski is a seventeen-year veteran and is the Division Personnel Officer. In his position, he is responsible for administrating the Division's Performance Appraisal Management System (PEMS) and is the Field Training Officer (FTO) Program Manager. The PEMS requires annual performance appraisals of all sworn and civilian personnel, as well as probationary and post promotional appraisals of Division members. The FTO Program monitors the progress of new troopers through the evaluation of trained, experienced troopers.

The Personnel Officer also processes all uniform requests and subsequent uniform/gear distribution. The compilation of all sworn member vacation time, sick leave, military status and other leave information is also the responsibility of the Personnel Officer.

Lt. Skalubinski also serves as the Division Fleet Manager. He is responsible for new vehicle specifications, emergency equipment, laptop computer installation, in-car video installation as well as repairs and maintenance of the fleet.

Lt. Skalubinski is also responsible for the Supply Services, Charitable Gaming Unit and Maintenance personnel.

SUPPLY SERVICES SECTION

MR. ROBERT T. VITALE

Mr. Robert T. Vitale has been employed by the Rhode Island State Police for twenty-two (22) years and is in charge of the Division's Supply Services Section. Mr. Vitale's duties include procuring and issuing Division equipment and supplies to all personnel. These supplies range from maintenance supplies and office supplies to uniform equipment. Mr. Vitale also assists the Personnel Officer with the Division's fleet maintenance.

CHARITABLE GAMING UNIT

***MS. ALICIA A. COOGAN**
SR. ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE*

Alicia A. Coogan is Senior Administrative Aide for the Charitable Gaming Unit. She has been employed in that position since 1986. Lieutenant Glenn J. Skalubinski is the Superintendent's Designee for Charitable Gaming.

Rhode Island General Law gives the Division of State Police both regulatory and enforcement authority over all charitable gaming activity conducted in Rhode Island. At the present time, raffles and bingo are the only allowed games. The Charitable Gaming Unit serves citizens from all walks of life. For many, it is the only contact they ever have with the Rhode Island State Police. Most of the charitable and non-profit organizations in Rhode Island are in contact with this unit.

Ms. Coogan is responsible for reviewing and authorizing all applications for charitable gaming events. She provides assistance to the applicants in this process. She answers questions and provides information to the general public as well as to other state agencies, local police departments and members of the legal community. All raffle applications require dual approval from the Chief of Police of the city or town in which the drawing is held and the State Police. The Charitable Gaming Unit works closely with all local police departments. All organizations must file a financial report with the State Police after the drawing is held. During the past year, 1,136 authorizations to conduct a raffle were granted to charitable organizations. These organizations have reported over five million dollars in gross receipts thus far.

The amount of money wagered on bingo in Rhode Island has fallen dramatically since the opening of the Indian Casinos in Connecticut in the early 1990's. In the past several years, the total amount wagered in weekly bingo's in Rhode Island has dropped from an average of seventeen to eighteen million dollars to this years total of eight million, six hundred sixty three thousand, four hundred thirty six dollars ((\$8,663,436.00) (Weekly bingo organizations are those that pay out up to \$6,050 in prizes per night on a weekly or twice-weekly basis.). This decrease in income reflects a trend that is going on nationwide. The number of organizations conducting weekly bingo in our state has dropped from sixty five in 1990 to thirty three this year. The General Assembly attempted to remedy this situation in 1998 by increasing the amount of money that could be awarded as prizes at a bingo from \$4,250 to \$6,050 per night. But most charitable organizations don't take in the gross receipts needed to pay out \$6,050 per night. Seventy seven organizations were granted authorization to conduct senior-citizen bingo on a regular basis and thirty organizations were granted approval to conduct recreational or one-time bingo games. Altogether, 140 organizations were authorized to conduct bingo this year.

Charitable Gaming Unit information and applications are available to the public online on the State Police website (www.risp.state.ri.us). Citizen response to this new avenue for information and service has been tremendously positive as many citizens now log on to the Charitable Gaming web page.

Revenue from charitable gaming activity is not taxed in Rhode Island as it is in most other states. Only a five dollar application fee is levied on each application.

CANINE UNIT

The Canine unit is compromised of six members with a total of seven canines. There were some changes and additions to the unit in 2002. In March, Trooper Reardon became the unit coordinator and Trainer. In July, Corporal Marshall was added to the unit with a Narcotics detection canine.

The Unit has the capability to offer a wide range of services. Those services are bomb detection, patrol work, narcotic detection, cadaver detection as well as search and rescue. Besides being utilized by the Division, these services were also used by a number of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

The Unit conducted a total of 375 narcotic searches; this resulted in the seizure of 400 pounds of marijuana, forty pounds of cocaine and two pounds of Heroin. The unit also seized a total of \$210,000.00 in cash. There were a total of 6 cadaver searches and a total of ten area searches where 3 missing persons were located. Four track searches were conducted resulting in 2 apprehensions. Two article searches were conducted which resulted in the seizure of two handguns. There were a total of 41 bomb searches conducted and fortunately no explosives were located. The unit participated in 35 public speaking / demonstrations for a variety of civic organizations.

In November the unit was requested to conduct a cadaver search for an outside agency. This search resulted in the location of human remains and a positive identification of a male subject missing since 1996.

Canine Unit Personnel

*Trooper Roger Reardon
Cpl. David Palmer
Cpl. Kelsey Marshall
Trp. Matthew Zarrella*

*Det. Kevin Barry
Trp. Erik Jones
Trp. Ronald Longolucco*

*Unit Coordinator / Trainer
K-9 Dino -German Shepard -Narcotics Detection
K-9 Mick – Labrador Retriever – Narcotics Detection
K-9 Panzer & Gunner – German Shepards –
Cadaver, Search & Rescue
K-9 Bandit – German Shepard – Patrol /Narcotics
K-9 Dusty – Belgian Malinois – Patrol/Narcotics
K-9 Ajax – Belgian Malinois – Bomb Detection*

DIVE TEAM

The Dive Team is composed of seven sworn troopers who are dive certified through the Professional Association of Dive Instructors (PADI). The Dive Team is utilized in the search and recovery of drowning victims along with underwater/coastal searches of all types of evidence.

This year, the Division acquired a 23-foot rigid hull inflatable boat from United States Coast Guard. The boat is commercial grade and is capable of transporting up to 18 passengers or 3,000 lbs of personnel and gear. It will most certainly provide a stable dive platform for any call on Narragansett Bay or other areas of Rhode Island coastline. The boat could also be utilized to transport other Division specialty unit members such as SWAT or K-9 personnel, as well as operation in Homeland security issues, BWI patrols, assist the U.S. Coast Guard, DEM or local harbormasters.

On August 27, 2003, while scavenging for artifacts on a wreck site, a group of divers from a Connecticut dive club observed a diver in an inverted position that had clearly been there for a long period of time. The witness was able to mark the body with a "wreck reel", however due to his bottom time, was unable to retrieve the body. He then surfaced and contacted the Coast Guard

Dive Team members were taken to the dive site on two Coast Guard rigid hull inflatable boats. The dive plan was discussed on how to retrieve the body safely and quickly due to the limited bottom time. A Coast Guard helicopter was placed on standby in case one of the divers experienced any decompression-related symptoms and the decompression facility in Groton was advised of the operation due to the 130' depth. The plan was to locate the body, secure it with a surface line, free it from any obstructions, and float it with a lift bag. Once on the surface, the surface support members would use the surface line to retrieve the body, place it on a stokes litter, then secure it on the boat.

Troopers located the "wreck reel" line and followed it to the body which was located in the inverted position as the witness described earlier. The surface line and lift bag were attached to the diver's back pack. It did not appear that the diver was snared on any obstruction but rather was being held down by his own weight belt. The weight belt was freed, the lift bag was filled with air, and the diver ascended to the surface. Coast Guard members observed the diver surface and pulled him in.

The diver was still in full dive gear, a Viking Dry Suit, fins, mask, back pack, primary tank with "pony bottle". Every attempt was made to keep his gear in place for proper documentation by the Medical Examiner's office. Ocean organisms had grown to an advanced state on the external surface of the dive gear which made it clear that the diver had been submerged for an extended period of time.

Surface video was taken of the diver, he was placed in the stokes litter and placed on board the Coast Guard boat. The victim was turned over to the State Medical Examiner's office for positive identification.

Dive Team Members: *Lieutenants Glenn Skalubinski, Elwood Johnson
Detectives Joseph Dubeau, David Doucet
Troopers Simon Liu, Richard Swanson, Michael McGlynn*

HONOR GUARD TEAM

The Honor Guard Unit consists of forty (40) members who are trained in military drill and ceremonial skills. The unit is under the direction of Lieutenant Mark M. Bilodeau, the Division Operations Officer. During 2002, members of the Honor Guard Unit represented the Division on twenty three (23) occasions, including parades, ceremonies and special events throughout the State. The Honor Guard Unit is in great demand due to the respect for the Division and its members.

Unit Members:

Lieutenant: Skalubinski

Sergeants: Hayden, Sullivan, Delaney

Corporals: Manni, Quarry

Troopers: Wall, Tikoian, Hill, Sikorskyj, Rosa, Assumpico, Pardington, Coleman, Cunningham, Barry, Dandeneau, E.Jones, Philbin, McKinney, Ruggiero, Gilson, Alfred, DeMarco, Grassel, LeValley, Salisbury, McGlynn, K.Jones, Moriarty, Viera, Alfred, Ludovici, LeValley, Gadrow, Grace, Hartwell, Cambio, Watters, Filuminia.



MOTORCYCLE TEAM

The Rhode Island State Police Motorcycle Unit is currently commanded by Sergeant Mark B. Surtel of the Lincoln Woods Barracks. The Unit utilizes six (6) 1993 Harley Davidson Motorcycles for patrol in heavy, dense traffic areas, beach traffic, for special functions and, on occasion, routine patrol when manpower permits. The Unit was used for traffic for the 2002 Brooks Pharmacy Ocean State Marathon in Warwick and Providence and the Rhode Island State Police 5K Foot Pursuit, which was held in Glocester, RI. The Motorcycles may be used on any other occasion deemed necessary and appropriate by the Superintendent. The current Motorcycle Unit Members have all attended a highly skilled police motorcycle course and are re-certified annually.

Motorcycle Team Members

Lieutenant: Raymond S. White
Sergeants: Mark B. Surtel, Francis D. Sullivan, III, Scott A. Hemingway
Corporal: Eric C. Lariviere
Troopers: Gregory C. LaGueux, Robert J. Carnevale, Kevin J. Hawkins, Marc J. Lidsky, Thomas Peck, Jr., Joseph Philbin, Ernest P. McKenney, Simon Ching Yu Liu, John P. Charbonneau, Peter Chabot, Christopher Zarrella

TACTICAL TEAM

The Tactical Team consists of twenty specially trained and equipped troopers. All members receive their initial schooling through the New England State Police Administrators Conference. The team trains throughout the year so as to maintain its proficiency in firearms and tactical skills.

The mission of the Tactical Team is to establish control over and abate a situation to minimize the loss of life, injury, or property damage when a traditional police response would be inadequate or ineffective. Some situations where the Tactical Team would be called upon would be for a barricaded suspect or hostage situation, executing a high-risk arrest or search warrant, area searches for armed suspect(s), as well as providing protection for dignitaries.

During 2002, the Tactical Team was activated for several high-risk warrant services and several barricaded suspects. Several members of the tactical team conducted site surveys of several state buildings, to include the various court facilities throughout the state. Team leadership has worked with other law enforcement tactical team leaders and others in working on establishing minimal standards for tactical teams within the state.

Unit Members:

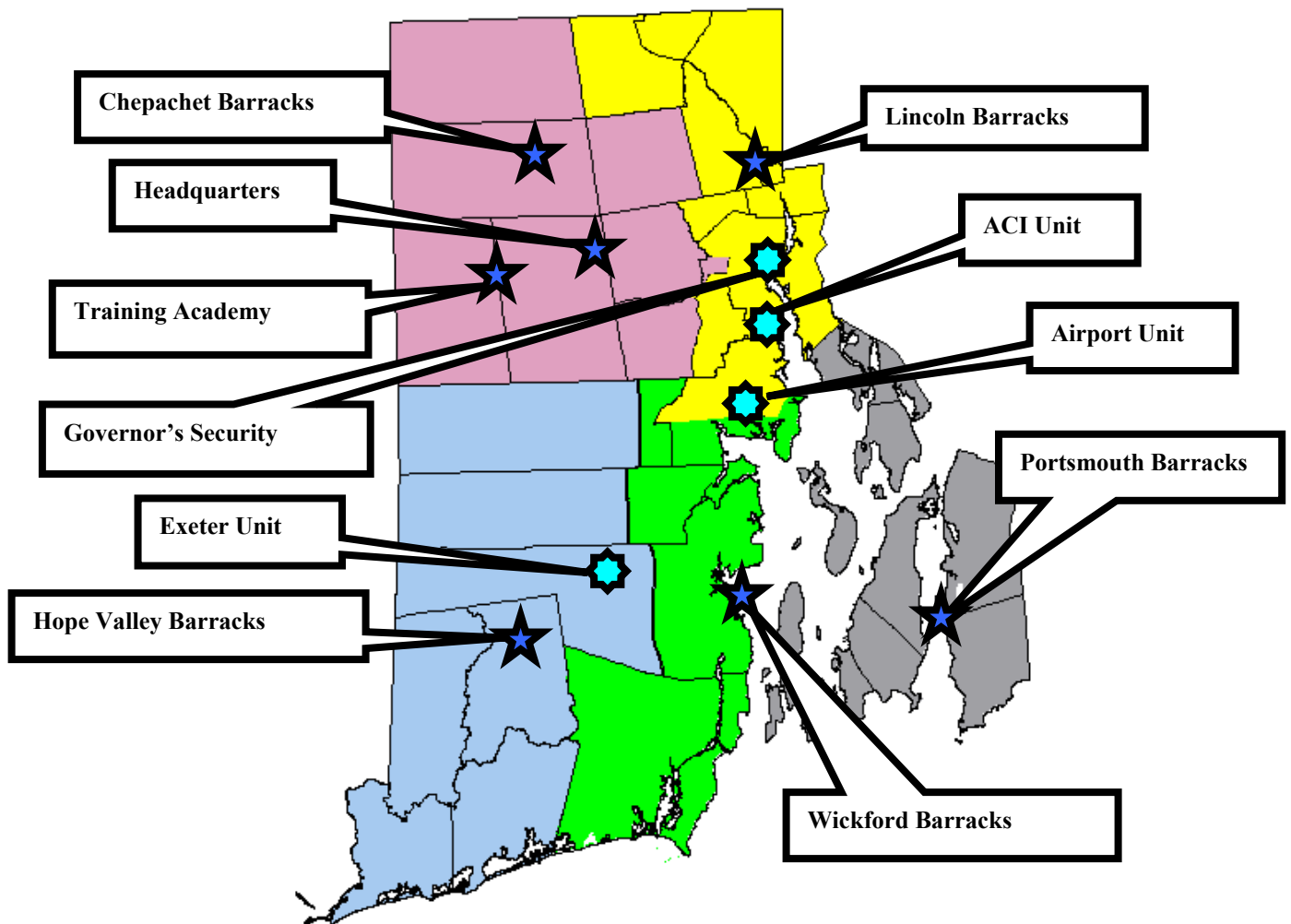
Lieutenant: Swanberg
Sergeant: Mackisey
Corporals: Olszewski and Ryan
Troopers: Carnevale, Dubeau, Bell, Medeiros, Raynes, Cunningham, Dandeneau, Borek, Gibbs, Lebeau, Gilson, Zarrella, Viera, L'Heureux, Moriarty, T. Chabot

STATISTICS

STATISTICAL DATA BY BARRACKS

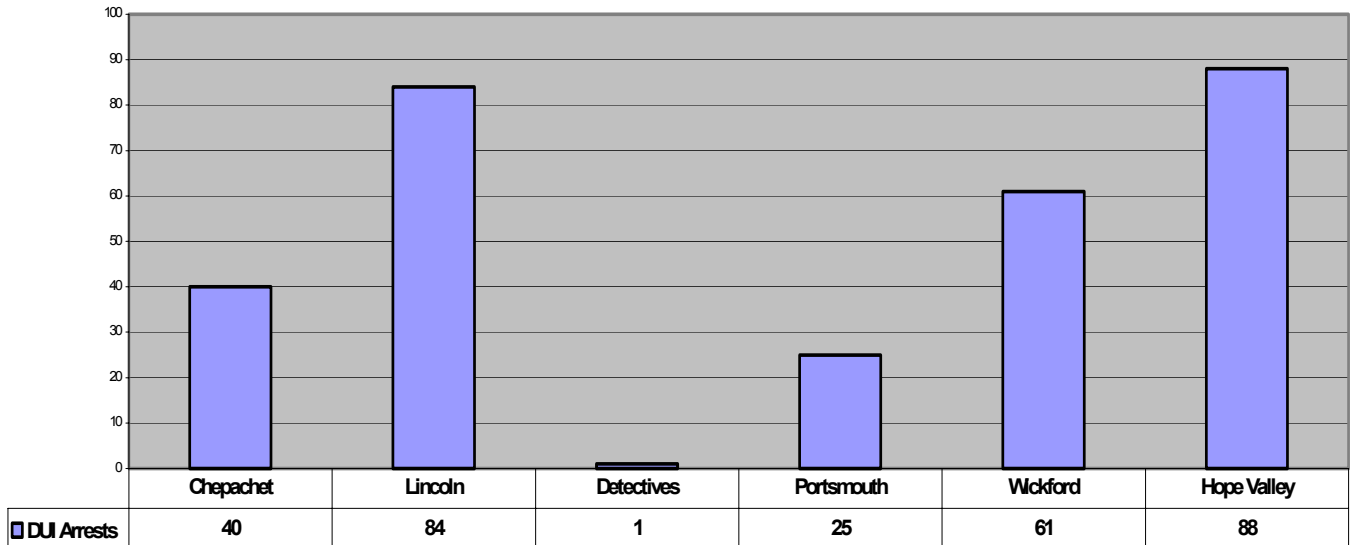
Barracks	Accidents	Incidents	Arrests	Citations
Chepachet	635	654	642	7901
Lincoln	3902	1142	1424	9344
Detectives	3	771	681	1734
Portsmouth	138	217	329	4765
Wickford	531	451	436	6736
Hope Valley	630	1184	791	9012
Total	5839	4419	4303	39492

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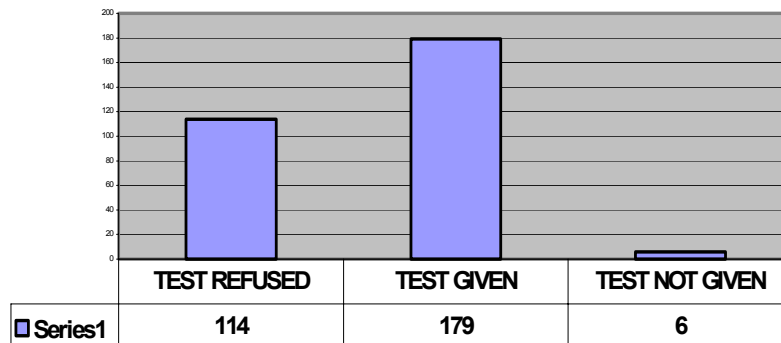


DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

Barracks	DUI Arrests
Chepachet	40
Lincoln	84
Detectives	1
Portsmouth	25
Wickford	61
Hope Valley	88
Total	299



DUI Testing	Arrests
TEST REFUSED	114
TEST GIVEN	179
TEST NOT GIVEN	6
Total	299



CRIMES INVESTIGATED IN INCIDENT AND ARREST REPORTS 2002

Crime	Detectives	Chepachet	Lincoln	Portsmouth	Wickford	Hope Valley	Statewide
MURDER AND NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	4				1	2	7
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER							0
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE							0
KIDNAPPING / ABDUCTION	1	1				2	4
FORCIBLE RAPE	6	2	1	2	2	5	18
FORCIBLE SODOMY	5	1	1				7
SEXUAL ASSAULT WITH AN OBJECT	1						1
FORCIBLE FONDLING	8	5	3		2	6	24
ROBBERY	1		1			2	4
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	12	3	4	1	1	24	45
SIMPLE ASSAULT	24	28	33	9	11	85	190
INTIMIDATION	24	2	12	3	6	8	55
ARSON		1				1	2
EXTORTION	3						3
BURGLARY / BREAKING AND ENTERING	2	1	1	3	1	51	59
POCKET – PICKNIG							0
PURSE - SNATCHING						1	1
SHOPLIFTING							0
THEFT FROM BUILDING						2	2
THEFT FROM COIN OPERATED MACHINE							0
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE		1	3				4
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS			1				1
ALL OTHER LARCENY	25	29	61	6	18	118	257
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	16	7	22	4	2	24	75
COUNTERFEITING/ FORGERY	76	16	37	3	10	20	162
FALSE PRETENSES / SWINDLE	146	13	31	11	7	24	232
CREDIT CARD / AUTO TELLER	5	6	21	1	12	11	56
IMPERSONATION	6	1	4	2	1	3	17
WELFARE FRAUD							0

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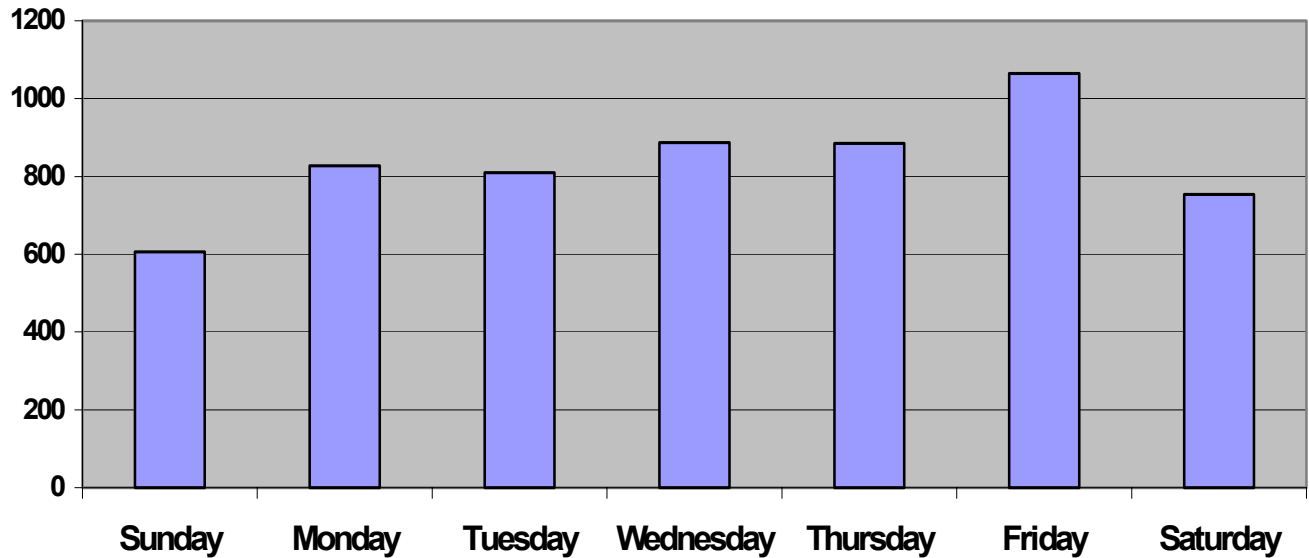
CRIMES INVESTIGATED IN INCIDENT AND ARREST REPORTS 2002 (CONTINUED)

Crime	Detectives	Chepachet	Lincoln	Portsmouth	Wickford	Hope Valley	Statewide
WIRE FRAUD	2						2
EMBEZZLEMENT	26	4	3	2	2		37
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	1		6			3	10
DESTRUCTION / DAMAGE / VANDILISM	5	19	72	9	17	165	287
DRUG / NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS	149	8	63	35	13	61	329
DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	3		1			1	5
INCEST		1					1
STATUTORY RAPE							0
PORNOGRAPHY / OBSCENE MATERIAL	2				1		3
BETTING / WAGERING	4						4
OPERATING / PROMOTING / ASSIST	4		1				5
GAMBLING EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	3						3
SPORTS TAMPERING							0
PROSTITUTION	1						1
ASSISTING OR PROMOTING PROSTIT							0
BRIBERY	7						7
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	23	6	13	5	3	19	69
BAD CHECKS	17	223	70	23	90	68	491
CURFEW / LOITERING / VAGRANCY			1				1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	11	6	42	3	8	64	134
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	2	44	80	26	64	95	311
DRUNKENNESS							0
FAMILY OFFENSES, NONVIOLENT		3	3	3		21	30
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS			1	1	2	4	8
PEEPING TOM							0
RUNAWAY		1	1		1	5	8
TRESPASS OF REAL PROPERTY		3	3			15	21
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	708	354	698	210	265	572	2807
TRAFFIC, Town By-Law Offenses	143	689	1780	224	377	787	4000
TOTALS	1476	1478	3074	586	917	2269	9800

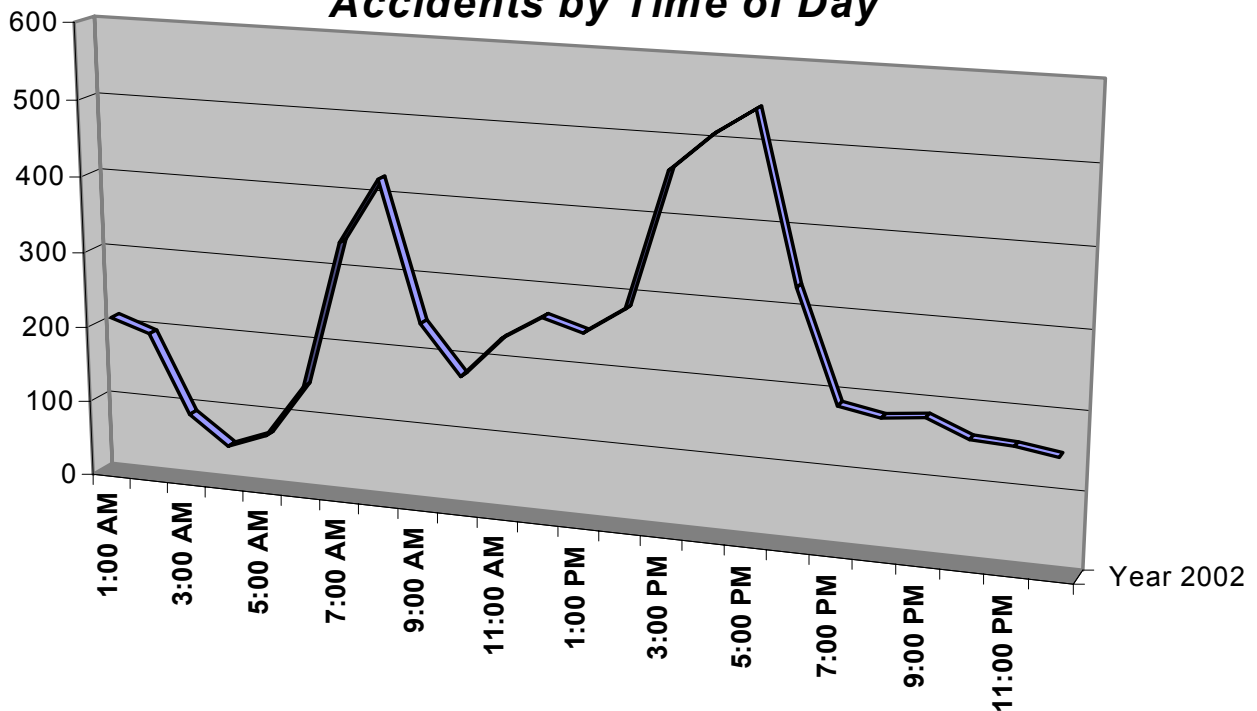
ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION STATISTICS

Total Accidents Investigated by RISIP for 2002 = 5,839

Accidents by Day



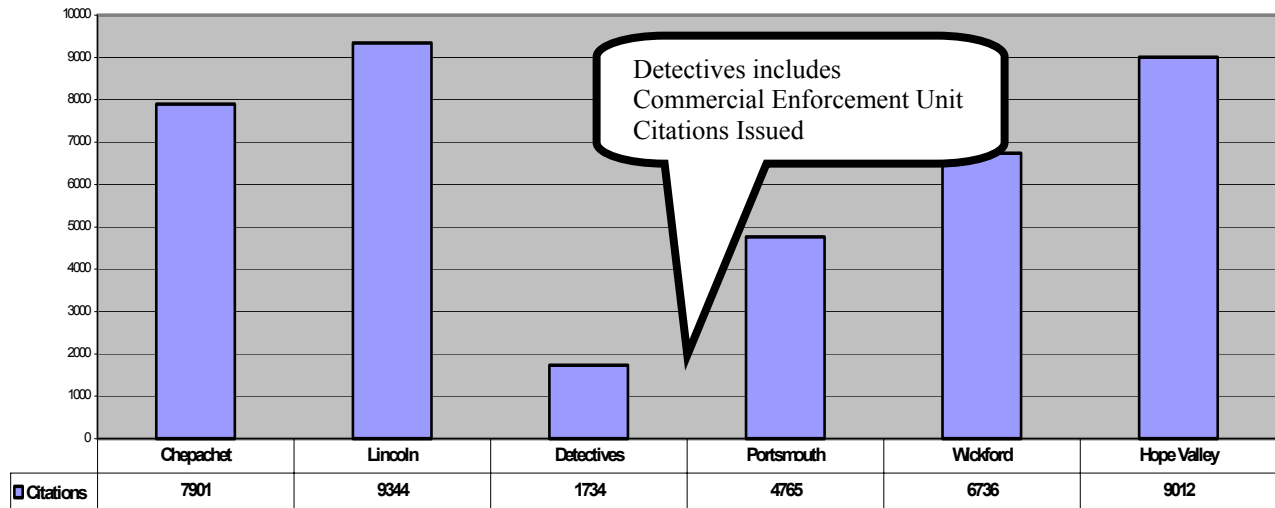
Accidents by Time of Day



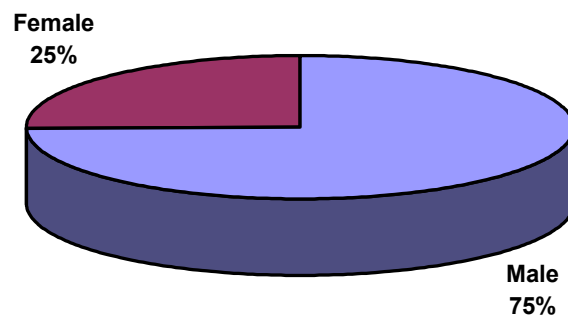
CITATION STATISTICS

In 2002 - 39,492 Citations were issued containing 46,350 Motor Vehicle Violations

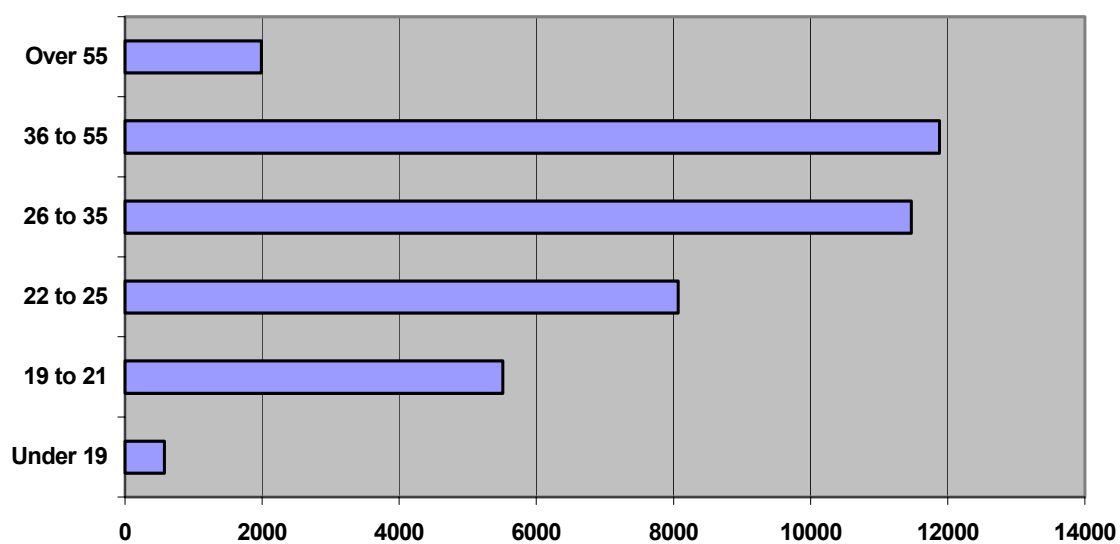
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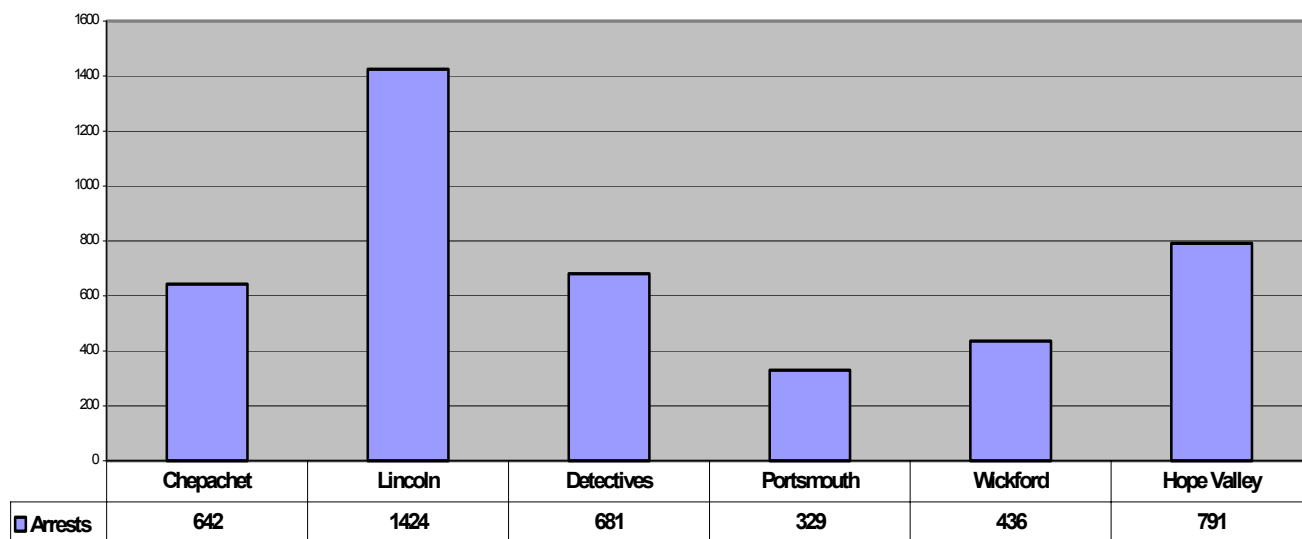
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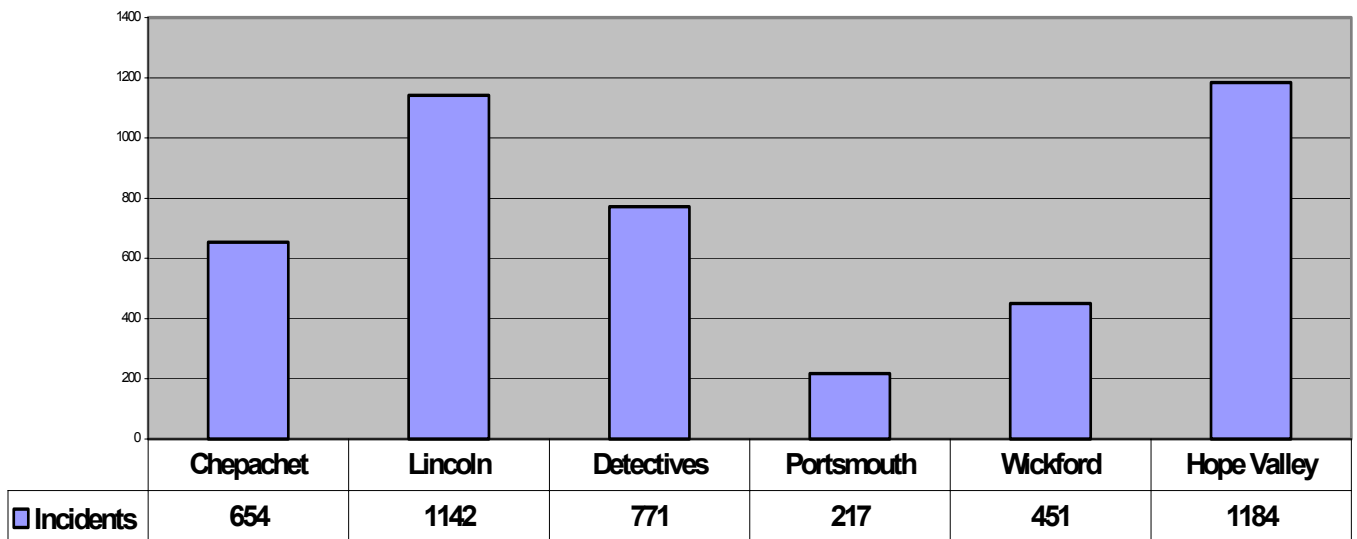
Citations Issued 2002 By Age



Arrests by Barracks



Incident Reports By Barracks



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Barracks

(Non-Emergency)

Chepachet Barracks	1116 Putnam Pike, Glocester Lt. James Swanberg, Patrol Commander	568-2516
Exeter Patrol Barracks	675 Ten Rod Road, Exeter	294-7377
Hope Valley Barracks	54 Nooseneck Hill Road, Richmond Lt. Armand Bilodeau, Patrol Commander	539-2411
Lincoln Woods Barracks	1575 Old Louisquisett Pike, Lincoln Lt. Stephen Bannon, Patrol Commander	444-1100
Portsmouth Barracks	838 East Main Road, Portsmouth Lt. Joseph Galindo, Patrol Commander	849-4444
Wickford Barracks	7875 Post Road, North Kingstown Lt. Pamela Icart, Patrol Commander	294-3371

Headquarters

311 Danielson Pike

North Scituate, Rhode Island 02857

General Information		444-1000
Accident Reports/Missing Children	Mr. Steven Loynds	444-1143
Business Office	Ms. Dawn Murphy	444-1129
Charitable Gaming Unit	Ms. Alicia Coogan	444-1147
Commercial Enforcement Unit	Lt. Matthew Giardina, OIC	444-1032
Detective Bureau		444-1155
Technical Services Unit	Mr. Brian Glancy	444-1033
Traffic/Planning & Research	Lt. Mark Bilodeau, OIC	444-1398
Training Academy	Cpl. Ernest Quarry, NCOIC	444-1191
Uniform Crime Reporting	Mrs. Linda Fraccola	444-1121

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